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DOWNSLOPE CONVERSION EXPERIMENT: ENVIRONMENTAL DATA REPORT

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ABSTRACT

This report presents the data collected during the Downslope Conversion Experiment (R/V New Holizon July 1-14, 1989). It also presents some of the data collected by other sources before and during the experiment. The data include plots of sound speed profiles from CTD stations (R/V New Horizon and USNS Narragansett) and XBT launches (R/V New Horizon and R/P Flip); temperature profiles from AXBT (P-3 flights); HLF-3 (sound source) depth time series; and wind time series. Also included here are satellite infrared images of the area under study.

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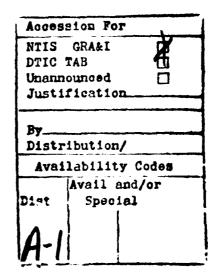
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I. INTRODUCTION

The sound transmission part of the Downslope Conversion Experiment (DSCE) was conducted during the first two weeks of July 1989 in the area off Northern California, between Pt. Buchon and Pt. Arguello. The proposed track lines for the R/V New Horizon were designed so that the ship would sail across the continental shelf and slope in at least four and may be five lines, while towing the sound source (Figure 1). The actual cruise track is snown in Figure 2. The complete experiment involved pre-modeling of signal propagation, gathering of detailed information about the bathymetry and sub-bottom structure, measurement of environmental properties affecting the propagation medium, propagation of an acoustic signal at determined frequencies and locations, and the measurement of propagated signals at receiving sites.

The goal of the DSCE was to make carefully controlled and well-documented measurements of downslope signal propagation. These measurements were to provide information to study the physics of downslope propagation, proposed as one mechanism by which acoustic energy from surface sources gets coupled into the sound channel. More extensive and detailed information on the objectives of this experiment may be found in Hodgkiss et al [1].

This report presents the environmental information gathered aboard the R/V New Horizon, as well as some additional environmental information acquired before and during the cruise by other sources.

Not included in this report, but available, are ship sightings and wave hindcasting information provided by Fleet Numerical Oceanography Center. These data includes commercial ship positions as a function of time within a 500 km radius of 35 N - 122.5 W. It also includes ocean wave hindcasts at the spherical grid point corresponding to this location, the four points immediately sorrounding this site, and at the points 40 N - 122.5 W, 37.5 N - 125 W, 32.5 N - 125 W, 30 N - 122.5 W, and 34 N - 140 W.

II. R/V NEW HORIZON CRUISE DATA

a) CTD Stations

A total of 10 CTD stations were carried out during the cruise by personnel from the Physical and Chemical Oceanographic Data Facility (PACODF) of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography (Figure 3). A Neil Brown CTD with 4 Niskin bottles, to calibrate the temperature and conductivity sensors, was used for all stations. Instrument post-calibration, as well as raw data processing were done at PACODF. The sampling frequency was not pre-determined; rather, CTD stations were carried out upon time availability during ship stops for sound transmission stations. CTD stations were intermixed with XBT casts to keep at least one sample of the water column thermal structure every 4 hours.

All CTD stations sampled from surface to bottom. In most cases, these stations were located on the shelf/slope area. One station, station 8, was performed in deep water in order to obtain at least one complete sound speed profile for the entire water column off the continental shelf. Plots of sound speed profiles from CTD stations are included (Figure 4). The temperature and salinity profiles of this station were compared with the National Oceanographic Data Center average temperature and salinity profiles for the months July through September (Figures 5a, 5b). The similarity of these profiles allowed us to use the salinity from station 8, in conjunction with temperature profiles from the XBT casts, to calculate sound speed within a reasonable accuracy. These calculations are discussed in Appendix A.

TABLE 1: CTD from R/V New Horizon [6] (Times are GMT)

Date	Julian Day	Time	Event	Latitude	Longitude
07/03/89	184	10:08	CTD#01	34 57.7N	121 24.0W
07/04/89	185	21:47	CTD#02	35 07.2N	121 30.7W
07/05/89	186	16:32	CTD#03	35 07.4N	121 40.0W
07/06/89	187	02:10	CTD#04	35 07.1N	121 46.5W
07/06/89	187	14:15	CTD#05	34 53.1N	121 47.8W
07/07/89	188	01:50	CTD#06	34 54.0N	121 35.1W
07/07/89	188	13:00	CTD#07	34 36.0N	120 56.1W
07/11/89	192	10:05	CTD#08	34 50.6N	122 21.4W
07/11/89	192	18:00	CTD#09	34 55.4N	121 55.6W
07/13/89	194	11:35	CTD#10	35 08.2N	121 26.9W

b) XBT Profiles

A total of 61 XBT probes were launched during the DSCE cruise (Figure 6). The Sippican T-7 models reached a maximum depth of 700 meters, whereas the T-5 models reached 1800 meters. Launches number 37, 59, and 61 yielded incomplete data due to the probe conducting cable tangling with the HLF-3 cable. Launches were intended to maintain a 3 to 4 hour separation. Sound speed was calculated using XBT temperature and station 8 salinity data, as explained above (Figure 7). Collection of the data was done on an IBM-compatible computer with Sippican provided software. The data processing and graphics were done on a SUN computer at MPL with in-house developed software.

TABLE 2: XBT from R/V New Horizon [6] (Times are GMT)

Date	Julian Day	Time	Event	Latitude	Longitude
07/02/89	183	23:25	XBT#01	34 14.0N	119 55.5W
07/03/89	184	10:52	XBT#02	34 51.0N	121 45.0W
07/04/89	185	03:14	XBT#03	34 57.5N	121 26.9W
07/04/89	185	06:45	XBT#04	35 01.6N	121 26.4W
07/04/89	185	10:15	XBT#05	35 03.4N	121 25.4W
07/04/89	185	13:05	XBT#06	35 05.7N	121 26.2W
07/04/89	185	15:57	XBT#07	35 05.8N	121 27.1W
07/05/89	186	02:35	XBT#08	35 09.4N	121 29.3W
07/05/89	186	07:10	XBT#09	35 08 IN	121 32.8W
07/05/89	186	11:15	XBT#10	35 07.7N	121 35.2W
07/05/89	186	14:15	XBT#11	35 07.6N	121 38.5W
07/05/89	186	20:17	XBT#12	35 09.0N	121 42.2W
07/06/89	187	06:45	XBT#13	35 08.7N	121 47.6W
07/06/89	187	10:05	XBT#14	35 06.8N	121 52.0W
07/06/89	187	11:20	XBT#15	35 00.2N	121 50.1W
07/06/89	187	17:59	XBT#16	34 52.8N	121 42.0W
07/06/89	187	21:44	XBT#17	34 52.9N	121 38.1W
07/06/89	187	22:26	XBT#18	34 52.9N	121 38.0W
07/07/89	188	06:15	XBT#19	34 54.0N	121 30.0W
07/07/89	188	08:50	XBT#20	34 54.6N	121 27.8W
07/07/89	188	16:25	XBT#21	34 37.4N	120 56.8W
07/07/89	188	19:37	XBT#22	34 38.1N	121 06.8W
07/07/89	188	22:29	XBT#23	34 39.6N	121 17.8W
07/08/89	189	02:25	XBT#24	34 39.2N	121 20.1W
07/08/89	189	07:45	XBT#25	34 34.1N	121 25.1W
07/08/89	189	11:00	XBT#26	34 32.8N	121 37.4W
07/08/89	189	14:58	XBT#27	34 35.2N	121 45.8W
07/08/89	189	17:55	XBT#28	34 40.5N	121 57.5W
07/08/89	189	21:13	XBT#29	34 48.4N	122 20.3W
07/09/89	190	00:35	XBT#30	34 51.4N	122 20.4W
07/09/89	190	03:58	XBT#31	34 49.5N	122 18.3W
07/09/89	190	07:45	XBT#32	34 46.3N	121 56.2W
07/09/89	190	10:15	XBT#33	34 51.4N	121 55.4W
07/09/89	190	13:30	XBT#34	34 53.1N	121 50.2W
07/09/89	190	16:40	XBT#35	34 58.1N	121 58.5W
07/09/89	190	19:40	XBT#36	34 55.6N	122 06.7W
07/09/89	190	22:20	XBT#37	34 49.2N	122 22.5W
07/10/89	191	01:55	XBT#38	34 55.1N	122 22.9W
07/10/89	191	04:55	XBT#39	34 49.0N	122 21.5W
07/10/89	191	07:40	XBT#40	34 50.6N	122 20.4W
07/10/89	191	10:20	XBT#41	34 50.4N	122 20.9W
07/10/89	191	15:10	XBT#42	34 50.8N	122 22.1W
07/10/89	191	18:40	XBT#43	34 49.3N	122 21.3W
07/10/89	191	22:32	XBT#44	34 51.2N	122 21.0W
07/11/89	192	02:15	XBT#45	34 50.8N	122 20.8W
07/11/89	192	05:00	XBT#46	34 47.0N	122 19.3W
07/11/89	192	ა 9:03	XBT#47	34 50.7N	122 22.9W
07/11/89	192	14:55	XBT#48	34 54.0N	121 54.6W
07/11/89	192	22:42	XBT#49	34 53.1N	121 48.1W
07/12/89	193	01:40	XBT#50	34 55.7N	121 48.7W

07/12/89	193	04:45	XBT#51	34 53.0N	121 39.8W
07/12/89	193	07:35	XBT#52	34 52.6N	121 41.1W
07/12/89	193	09:40	XBT#53	34 52.8N	121 38.6W
07/12/89	193	12:53	XBT#54	34 52.8N	121 34.7W
07/12/89	193	16:02	XBT#55	34 56.2N	121 35.5W
07/12/89	193	20:20	XBT#56	34 54.0N	121 30.0W
07/12/89	193	22:00	XBT#57	34 53.4N	121 28.1W
07/13/89	194	01:09	XBT#58	34 54.8N	121 28.7W
07/13/89	194	04:00	XBT#59	34 53.9N	121 22.6W
07/13/89	194	07:02	XBT#60	35 00.2N	121 24.8W
07/13/89	194	09:35	XBT#61	35 07.3N	121 26.8W

c) Depth of HLF3

One of the acoustic sources used during this experiment was a HLF-3, owned by NUSC and operated by Hydroacoustics. This instrument has a maximum operating depth of approximately 200 meters and a maximum towing speed of approximately 6 knots. The HLF-3 includes a pressure sensor that allows its depth to be monitored by operating personnel on board. In addition to this pressure sensor, a Recording Inclinometer Model 7011U from General Oceanics was attached to the HLF-3 to record Direction, Tilt Angle and Pressure at 1 minute intervals. We present here the Depth time series, as calculated from pressure, for the periods at which the HLF-3 was in the water (Figures 8a, 8b, 8c, and 8d). The following text is a list of events extracted from the DSCE Log Book [6]. Refer to this book for more detailed information. The numbers refer to the call numbers in the figures. All times are PDT; add 7 hours to convert to GMT.

From Figure 8a:

- 1- 7/3/89. Location: 34 53.65N, 121 40.47W.
- 2- 7/3/89 07:22. HLF-3 depth (from HLF-3 console) is 310 feet (or 95 meters). Transmitting 80 Hz. Going towards Point A.
- 3- On station. Sheave problem.
- 4- 7/3/89 12:00. Sheave fixed. Back underway.
- 5- 7/3/89 13:00 to 13:56. TR1.
- 6- 7/3/89 13:57 to 14:27
- 7- CTD #1, then DS1 and TR1.
- 8- 7/3/89 20:54 to 21:26. DS3 and TR5.
- 9- DS1 and TR1.
- 10- 7/4/89 01:00 to 01:14. DS3 and TR5
- 11- DS1 and TR1.
- 12- 7/4/89 04:30 to 04:53. TR4 and TR5
- 13- DS1, TR1, and TR2 (using HLF-3 for it).
- 14- (a) through (g): TR3 using HLF-3 for it.

From Figure 8b:

- 15- Heading 290 T (NW)
- 16-7/7/89 17:35. Ship turning around to 218 T. At 18:13 she turned to 122 T. Downwind increased ship's speed.
- 17-7/7/89 21:26. Turned back into the wind (265 T). Slowed down. On transit.

From Figure 8c:

- 18-7/10/89 12:13 to 12:19 HLF-3 up to 83 meters. 12:30 -> DS2 for the second time (at 102 meters).
- 19-7/10/89 18:56 to 19:13. Maneuvering to recover HLF-3.

From Figure 8d:

- 20- Started Line D-A. TR4.
- 21- Ship speed down to 5 knots. DS3 and TR5.
- 22- DS1, TR2, TR3, and TR4.
- 23-7/11/89 19:34 to 21:52. DS3 and TR5.
- 24- Start DS1 at 21:52. Then TR1 and TR4.
- 25- DS3 and TR5.
- 26- DS3 and TR5.
- 27- DS2.
- 28- DS3 and TR5.
- 29- DS2.
- 30- DS3 and TR5
- 31- DS1, TR1, TR2, and TR3.
- 32- TR4, DS3, and TR5.
- 33- DS2.
- 34- In transit to DA8 with DS3 and TR5.
- 35- DS2.
- 36- In transit to station DA9 with DS3 and TR5
- 37- DS2.
- 38- DS3 and TR5.
- 39- DS1, TR1, TR2, TR3, and TR4.
- 40- DS3 and TR5.
- 41- DS1, TR1, TR2, TR3, and TR4.
- 42- DS3 and TR5.
- 43- DS1, TR2, and TR3.
- 44- CTD#10 and TR4.

III, P-3 AXBT DATA

This section includes the temperature profiles obtained with AXBT (aerial XBT probes from Sippican) (Figure 9a, 9b, and 9c). Three lines were made: the first line was made on 5 July (AXBT# 1001 to 1056, total of 56 AXBTs); the second line was made on 8 July (AXBT# 1601 to 1658, total of 58 AXBTs); and the third line on 10 July (AXBT# 1901 to 1958, total of 58 AXBTs). Vertical temperature sections (Figures 10a, 10b, and 10c), and "waterfall" plots (Figures 11a, 11b, 11c, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13a, 13b, and 13c) for each line are included to show the overall thermal structure of the water column during this experiment.

TABLE 3: P-3 AXBT Launches (Times are GMT)

AXBT#	Date	Julian Day	y Time	Latitude	Longitude
1001	7/05/89	186	23:02:16	34 02.20N	139 20.40W
1002	7/05/89	186	23:07:16	34 05.30N	139 01.60W
1003	7/05/89	186	23:17:16	34 10.90N	138 22.80W
1004	7/05/89	186	23:27:16	34 15.90N	137 42.90W
1005	7/05/89	186	23:32:16	34 18.20N	137 24.00W
1006	7/05/89	186	23:37:17	34 20.80N	137 03.60W
1007	7/05/89	186	23:42:16	34 23.20N	136 45.50W
1008	7/05/89	186	23:52:16	² 4 10.33N	136 48.28W
1009	7/05/89	186	23:57:04	34 11.68N	136 31.63W
1010	7/06/89		00:01:40	34 11.02N	136 12.18W
1011	7/06/89		00:06:36	34 11.33N	135 53.60W
1012	7,′06/89		00:11:30	34 11.62N	135 31.92W
1013	7/06/89		00:16:29	34 12.05N	135 16.32W
1914	7/06/89		00:21:28	34 12.92N	134 57.03W
1015	7/06/89		00:26:25	34 13.88N	134 37.75W
1016	7/06/89		00:31:17	34 14.92N	134 18.72W
1017	7/06/89		00:36:08	34 16.05N	133 59.48W
1018	7/06/89		00:41:14	34 17.18N	133 40.07W
1019	7/06/89		00:46:27	34 18.45N	133 20.85W
1020	7/06/89		00:51:27	34 19.65N	133 01.58W
1021	7/06/89		00:56:39	34 20.50N	132 41.12W
1022	7/06/89		01:02:13	34 21.58N	132 22.65W
1023	7/06/89		01:07:07	34 22.82N	132 03.12W
1024	7/06/89		01:12.30	34 23.78N	131 43.67W
1025	7/06/89		01:17:03	34 24.88N	131 22.83W
1026	7/06/89		01:21:58	34 26.10N	131 04.77W
1027	7/06/89		01:26:59	34 27.12N	130 45.55W
1028	7/06/89		01:32:03	34 28.30N	130 26.22W
1029	7/06/89		01:37:15	34 29.42N	130 07.08W
1030	7/06/89		01:43:04	34 29.80N	129 45.53W
1031	7/06/89		01:47:57	34 30.83N	129 27.02W
1032	7/06/89		01:58:34	34 33.22N	128 48.10W
1033	7/06/89		02:03:21	34 34.28N	128 29.33W
1034	7/06/89		02:08:43	34 35.43N	128 10.53W
1035	7/06/89		02:14:06	34 36.28N	127 50.70W
1036	7/06/89		02:19:24	34 37.38N	127 31.25W
1037	7/06/89		02:24:53	34 38.38N	127 11.63W
1038	7/06/89		02:30:27	34 39.55N	126 51.35W
1039	7/06/89		02:35:20	34 40.52N	126 31.48W
1040	7/06/89	187 (02:43:03	34 41.13N	126 13.78W

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1043	7/06/89	187	02:57:21 34 43.10N 125 18.05W
1044	7/06/89	187	03:02:05 34 44.57N 124 58.93W
1045	7/06/89	187	03:07:44 34 44.78N 124 30.62W
1046	7/06/89	187	03:12:36 34 46.02N 124 17.67W
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1623	7/08/89	189	20:52:23 34 25.60N 132 34.10W
1624	7/08/89	189	20:57:07 34 26.70N 132 15.40W
1625	7/08/89	189	21:01:55 34 27.80N 131 58.20W
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1627	7/0°′89	189	21:11:20 34 30.10N 131 18.00W
1628	7/08/89	189	21:16:02 34 31.30N 130 57.20W
1629	7/08/89	189	21:20:37 34 32.20N 130 38.00W
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1631	7/08/89	189	21:32:49 34 34.50N 130 00.60W
1632	7/08/89	189	21:37:24 34 35.60N 129 41.30W
1633	7/08/89	189	21:42:04 34 36.60N 129 21.80W
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1652	7/08/89	189	23:19:00 34 58.62N 122 54.17W
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1657	7/08/89	189	23:47:07 35 04.12N 121 16.45W
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1901			
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		191	18:21:37 33 59.80N 139 04.00W
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1918	7/10/89	191	19:32:38 34 14.90N 134 23.40W
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1955	7/10/89	191	22:34:18 34 54.50N 122 22.70W
1956	7/10/89	191	22:38:52 34 56.10N 122 04.30W
1957	7/10/89	191	22:43:33 34 58.10N 121 46.20W
1958	7/10/89	191	22:47:54 35 00.10N 121 29.90W

IV. ADDITIONAL DATA

a) R/P FLIP: XBT Profiles

This section includes the sound speed profiles calculated from the XBT data collected by R/P FLIP (Figure 14) [4]. The calinity used for these calculations is from the CTD station "fw2" (USNS Narragansett). The calculation method is the same as the one used with the R/V New Horizon XBT data, explained in Appendix A.

TABLE 4: XBT from R/P FLIP [4] (Times are GMT)

Date	Julian Day	Time	Event	Latitude	Longitude
06/28/89	179	19:21	XBT#01	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/05/89	186	17:10	XBT#02	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/06/89	187	17:30	XBT#03	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/06/89	187	17:30	XBT#04	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/07/89	188	17:40	XBT#05	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/08/89	189	17:27	XBT#06	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/09/89	190	19:35	XBT#07	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/10/89	191	17:44	XBT#08	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/10/89	191	17:54	XBT#09	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/11/89	192	17:27	XBT#10	34 00.0N	140 00.0W
07/12/89	193	18:10	XBT#11	34 00.0N	140 00.0W

b) USNS Narragansett CTD Stations

This section includes the sound speed profiles calculated from CTD stations made by USNS Narragansett personnel in the vicinity of R/P FLIP (Figure 15). More details on these data may be found in [3].

TABLE 5: CTD Stations from USNS Narragansett [3] (Times are GMT)

Date	Julian Day	Time	Event	Latitude	Longitude
06/29/89	180	22:55	FW1	34 02.2N	140 00.1W
06/30/89	181	16:37	FW2	34 00.4N	139 58.6W
07/11/89	192	22:35	02	33 48.6N	141 03.0W
07/12/89	193	02:05	38	34 05.0N	141 03.0W

c) R/V New Horizon: Wind Speed and Direction

Included in this section are the stick plots of wind speed and direction recorded aboard the R/V New Horizon from 4 July through 13 July (Figure 16) with notes from Bob Hagg (MPL) who was in charge of processing the data.

Notes from Bob Hagg: Wind Direction

I have determined from reviewing the Serial ASCII Information Loop (SAIL) users manual that wind speed and direction are relative to the ship's speed and course. I have checked this against the wind direction module on board the New Horizon and found wind direction indeed to be relative to the ship's course, i.e. wind direction is measured clockwise from the ship's bow.

The data in file Tape_dat.log, starting at rec. 356, shows what you would expect from relative bearings. The following is a short description of the data.

On Julian day 185 (07-04-89), at approximately 0330 Z the GigaTrend data tape shows the New Horizon on a course of approximately 325 deg., assumed to be gyro, hove to 045 deg. with winds changing from approximately 335 deg. to 270 deg. respectively. The ship then hove to approximately 320 deg. and the winds returned to approximately 340 deg.

The conversion of wind headings from relative to gyro is a simple process, however, it depends on an accurate account of ship's heading information. The ship's heading information, from the GigaTrend tapes, was checked against the ship's log and was found not to consistently match nor disagree. Therefore, I feel the only statement we can make about wind direction is that, wind direction is relative to the ship's direction, and leave it at that. The following examples are ship's log entries and their corresponding GigaTrend data entries.

Source	Time (Z)	SHP HDG (Gyro)	WND HDG	WND SPD (knts)	SHP SPD (knts)
SL	185:1400	330.0	330	18.0	NA
DT	185:0209	329.1	336	26.0	0.0
DT	185:0219	328.0	340	25.2	.02
SL	187:1400	110.0	330	16.0	NA
DT	187.1400	320.2	361	19.8	NA
SL	188:1400	265.0	calm	NA	NA
DT	188:1400	301.6	307	4.1	NA
DT	188:1400	314.6	280	3.4	NA
SL	188:1800	128.0	335	11.0	NA
DT	188:1800	270.	347	11.	NA

SL - Ships Log DT - Data Tape NA - Not Available

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APPENDIX A

Calculation of Sound Speed from XBT Temperature and NODC Average or CTD Salinity

Sound Speed (SS) in water is a function of Temperature (T), Salinity (S) and Depth (Z). The equation by Mackenzie [5] is one way to calculate sound speed from these three variables:

$$SS = a + bT - cT^2 + dT^3 + (e - fT)(S - 35) + gZ + hZ^2 - iTZ^3$$
(A1)

where:

SS is sound speed in meters/sec T is temperature in degrees Celsius S is salinity in parts per thousand Z is depth in meters a through i are constants

T, S and Z are, in most cases, obtained from CTD casts. Another way to calculate SS with (1) is by using temperature measured through XBT probes. These probes are relatively inexpensive and fast. In addition, they can be launched from aircrafts which makes them very practical. However, XBTs do not measure salinity. This problem is usually solved by using historical salinity¹. The historical salinity data are in the form of seasonal averages within a determined standard region of the ocean, delimited by geographical coordinates. The quality of sound speed calculated this way is only as good as the fit of the actual to the historical salinity. Presented here is comparison of actual salinity measured during the Downslope Conversion Experiment (station 8, July-1989) with historical salinity for the Area 24 (NODC) months July through September (Figure 5a). The figure shows differences of about 0.5 PPT in salinity in the upper layer, narrowing with depth to neglegible values below 1150 meters. Since sound speed calculations made with either salinity profile are almost identical, the profile from station 8 was used in conjunction with the R/V New Horizon XBT data, due to its better spatial resolution.

An estimate of the differences in sound speed due to differences in salinity can be easily calculated by taking derivative of SS with respect to S in (A1):

$$\frac{\partial SS}{\partial S} = e - fT \tag{A2}$$

where:

e = 1.34 and f = 0.01025

Thus, for a given T:

¹ Gerald D'Spain (MPL) wrote a computer program that calculates sound speed profiles using XBT temperature and historical salinity data. See program listing at the end of this appendix.

TABLE A-1

T(C)	DELTA S(ppt)	DELTA SS(m/s)
2	0.2	0.264
2	0.3	0.296
5	0.1	0.129
5	0.2	0.258
5	0.3_	0.387
10	0.4	0.495
15	0.5	0.593
20	1.0	1.135
20	1.5	1.702
20	2.0	2.270

It is clear from Figure 5a that ΔS decreases with Z. However, depending on the accuracy needed, ΔSS may still be considerable (about 0.3 m/sec) for typical values of T and ΔS at deep layers, as shown in TABLE A-1.

Summarizing, one must be very careful when considering the use of XBT probes, instead of the more complete CTD casts, for later calculation of sound speed. This is particularly critical when sound speed accuracy of about 1.0 m/sec (and sometimes of about 2 m/sec) or better is required. This method seems appropriate when dealing with low and medium frequencies (up to approximately 350 to 380 Hz, or wavelength of 4 meters).

Listing of FORTRAN Program

```
C Program XBT2SS.f
C This program reads XBT temperature ASCII data files (file
C name prompted for), and a salinity data file "ZS.TXT" (CTD
C data or NODC historical average) applicable to the area
C where the XBT was taken. It then calculates a sound speed
C profile from the equation in MacKenzie, JASA 70 (3), p.808,
C Sept., 1981., and outputs to a file "SSPTMP".
C Original code by Gerald D'Spain (7-89).
C Modified code: Martin Olivera (10-89)
C
   IMPLICIT REAL*4 (A-H,O-Z)
   DIMENSION ZZ(2500), SS(2500), XBTZ(4000), XBTT(4000)
   CHARACTER*15 FILNM1
   INFL1=8
   INFL2=9
   IOFLA=10
   WRITE(*,*) '
   WRITE(*,'(//)')
   WRITE(6,100)
100 FORMAT(1X, '* ENTER INPUT XBT DATA FILENAME --> '?)
   READ(5,2) FILNM1
  2 FORMAT(A15)
C
   OPEN(INFL1,IOSTAT=IERB,ERR=888,FILE=FILNM1,STATUS='OLD')
   OPEN(INFL2,IOSTAT=IERB,ERR=666,FILE='ZS.TXT',STATUS='OLD')
   OPEN(IOFLA,IOSTAT=IERB,ERR=777,FILE='SSPTMP',STATUS='NEW')
C
C*
C ** Read data from XBT file
   DO 5 I=1,4000
    READ(INFL1,1,END=6) XBTZ(I), XBTT(I)
  1 FORMAT(F6.1,3x,F5.2)
  5 CONTINUE
C
C ** Input Salinity vs Depth data
  6 NP=I-1
   DO 7 I=1,2500
     READ(INFL2,3,END=8) ZZ(I), SS(I)
  3 FORMAT(11X, F6.1, 6X, F6.3)
  7 CONTINUE
C ** Calculate the sound speed profile assuming that the salinity
C is that at the nearest depth BELOW the xbt depth.
  8 J = 1
   DO 70 I = 1, NP
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Z = XBTZ(I)
    T = XBTT(I)
C
    IF (Z.LE.ZZ(J)) THEN
     S = SS(J)
    ELSE
     J = J + 1
    ENDIF
C
    C=1448.96 + 4.591*T - 0.05304*T*T + 0.0002374*T*T*T
    C=C + (1.34 - 0.01025*t)*(S-35.0)
    C=C + 0.0163*Z + 0.0000001675*Z*Z - 0.007139e-10*T*Z*Z*Z
C
    WRITE(IOFLA,333) Z,C
333 FORMAT(1X, F6.1,3X, F6.1)
 70 CONTINUE
 80 CLOSE(INFL1)
   CLOSE(INFL2)
   CLOSE(IOFLA)
C
   STOP
C
C
 888 WRITE(6.887) FILNMI
 887 FORMAT(1X,'** Error in opening XBT input file ', A3)
   STOP
 666 WRITE(6,665)
 665 FORMAT(1X,'** Error in opening Salinity input file, ZS.TXT')
    STOP
C
 777 WRITE(6,776)
 776 FORMAT(1X.'** Error in opening output file, SSPTMP')
   STOP
C
    END
```

APPENDIX B

Satellite Imagery

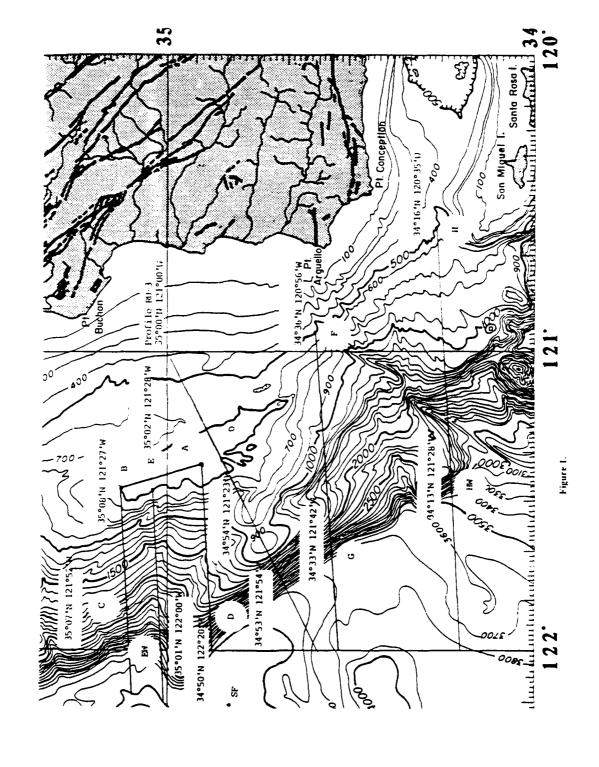
The following is a list of all the satellite infrared images provided by the Scripps Satellite Oceanography Center. Black and white xerox copies of the original color pictures are included. In the pictures, the proposed cruise track lines are overlayed.

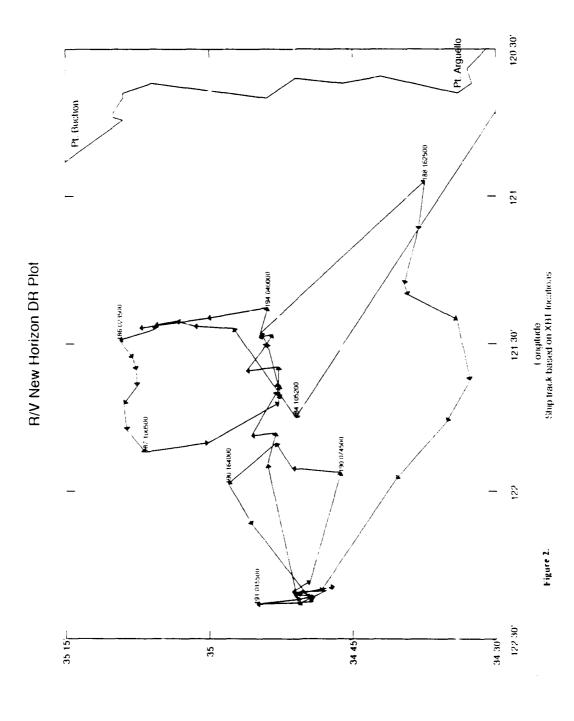
TABLE B-1: Satellite Images

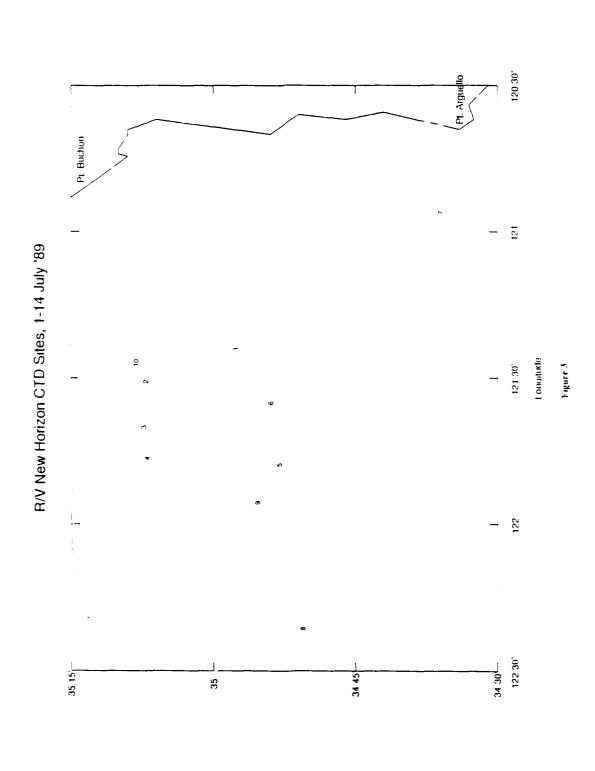
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02	06-18-89	169	N-A
03	06-19-89	170	N-A
04	06-20-89	171	N-A
05	06-25-89	176	N-A
06	06-26-89	177	N-A
07	06-28-89	179	N-A
08	07-01-89	182	21:14
09	07-02-89	183	21:05
10	07-03-89	184	20:54
11	07-04-89	185	20:44
12	07-05-89	186	22:15
13	07-06-89	187	22:04
14	07-07-89	188	21:53
15	07-13-89	194	20:51

FIGURE CAPTIONS

- Figure 1: Proposed source towing lines for R/V New Horizon. Down Slope Conversion Experiment.
- Figure 2: Actual cruise track. R/V New Horizon. Downslope Conversion Experiment, 1-14 July, 1989. (July 1 is Julian Day 182)
- Figure 3: Location of CTD stations during the Downslope Conversion Experiment, 1-14 July, 1989.
- Figure 4: Sound speed profiles from the CTD stations made during the Downslope Conversion Experiment, 1-14 July, 1989.
- Figure 5: Salinity (a) and Temperature (b) profiles for CTD station 8 (jagged curve) and NODC July-September Average (smoother curve).
- Figure 6: Location of XBT launches during the Downslope Conversion Experiment, 1-14 July, 1989.
- Figure 7: Sound speed profiles calculated from XBT data collected during the Downslope Conversion Experiment.
- Figure 8 (a, b, c, d): HLF-3 depth time series as measured with an attached pressure gauge. Each graph corresponds to periods in which the HLF-3 was in the water.
- Figure 9: Temperature profiles from AXBT launches: (a) Line-1; (b) Line-2; (c) Line-3.
- Figure 10: Temperature Vertical Sections (a) Line-1; (b) Line-2; (c) Line-3.(Furnished by Janice Boyd, NORDA).
- Figure 11 (a, b, c): "Waterfall" Temperature plot (Line-1)(Furnished by Janice Boyd, NORDA).
- Figure 12 (a, b, c): "Waterfall" Temperature plot (Line-2)(Furnished by Janice Boyd, NORDA).
- Figure 13 (a, b, c): "Waterfall" Temperature plot (Line-3)(Furnished by Janice Boyd, NORDA).
- Figure 14: Sound speed profiles calculated from XBT data collected by R/P FLIP at 34 00.0~N and 134~00.0~W.
- Figure 15: Sound speed profiles from the CTD stations made by the USNS Narragansett in the vicinity of R/P FLIP.
- Figure 16: Stick plots of wind speed and direction recorded aborad the R/V New Horizon during the Downslope Conversion Experiment. Direction is TRUE north and computed with respect to the ship's gyro.







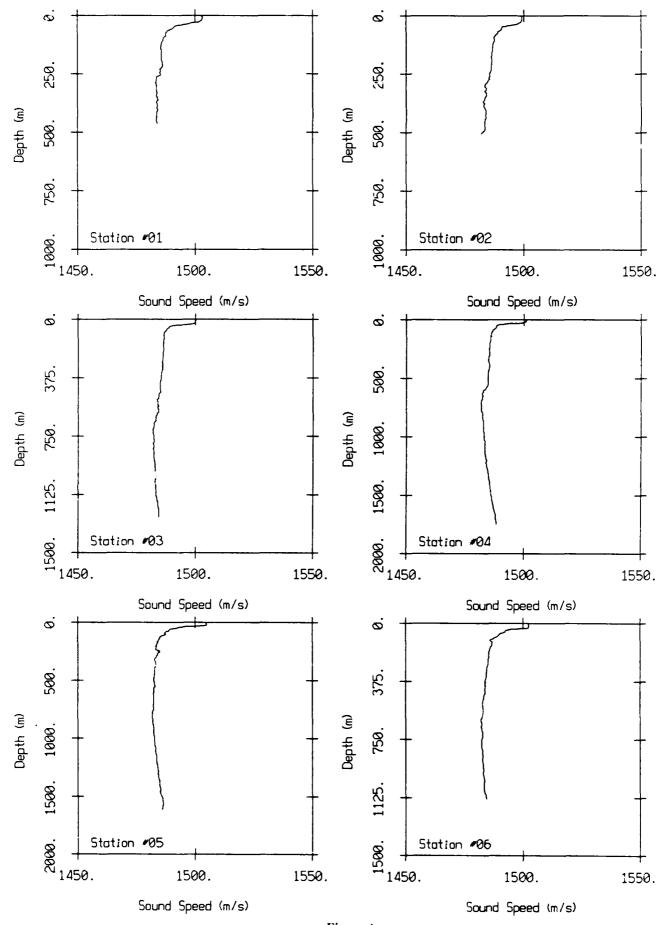


Figure 4.

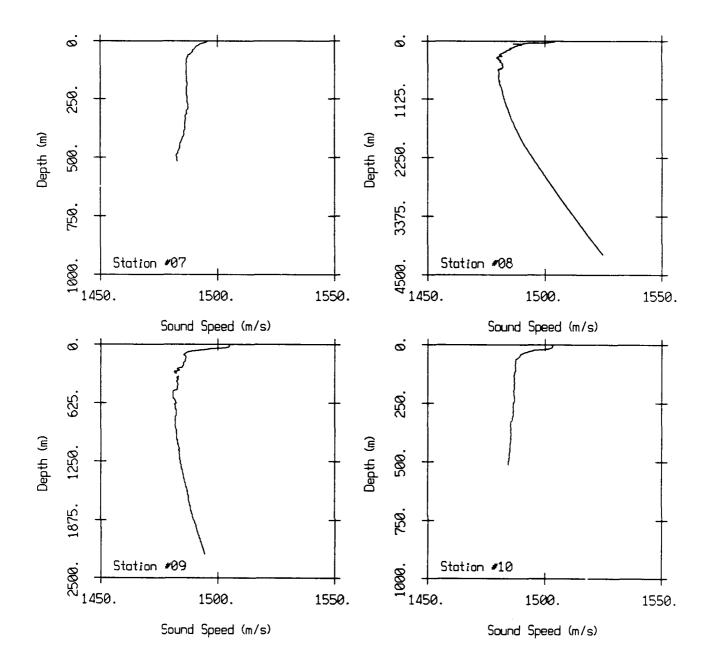
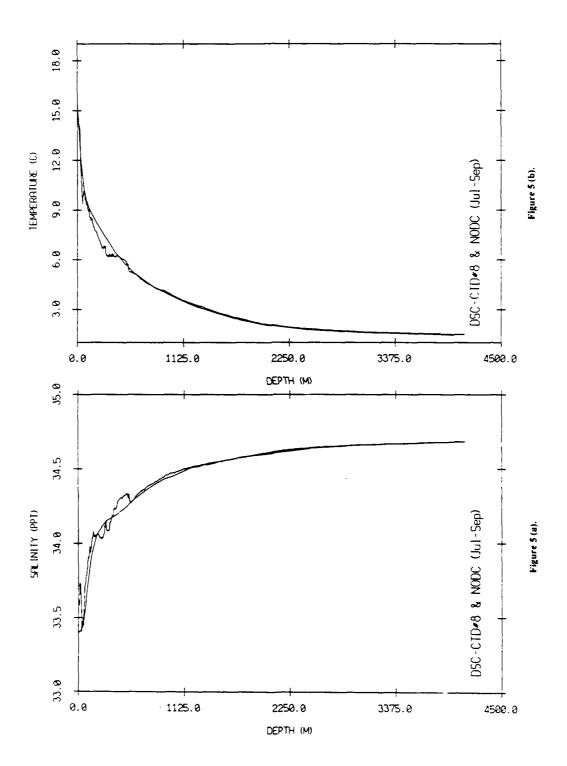
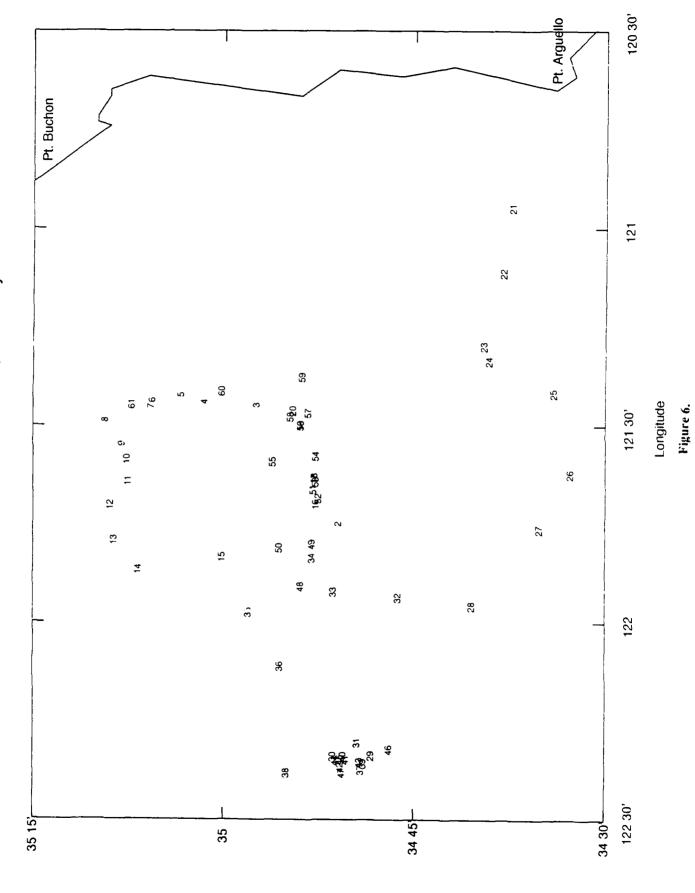


Figure 4. (cont.)



R/V New Horizon XBT Sites, 1-14 July '89



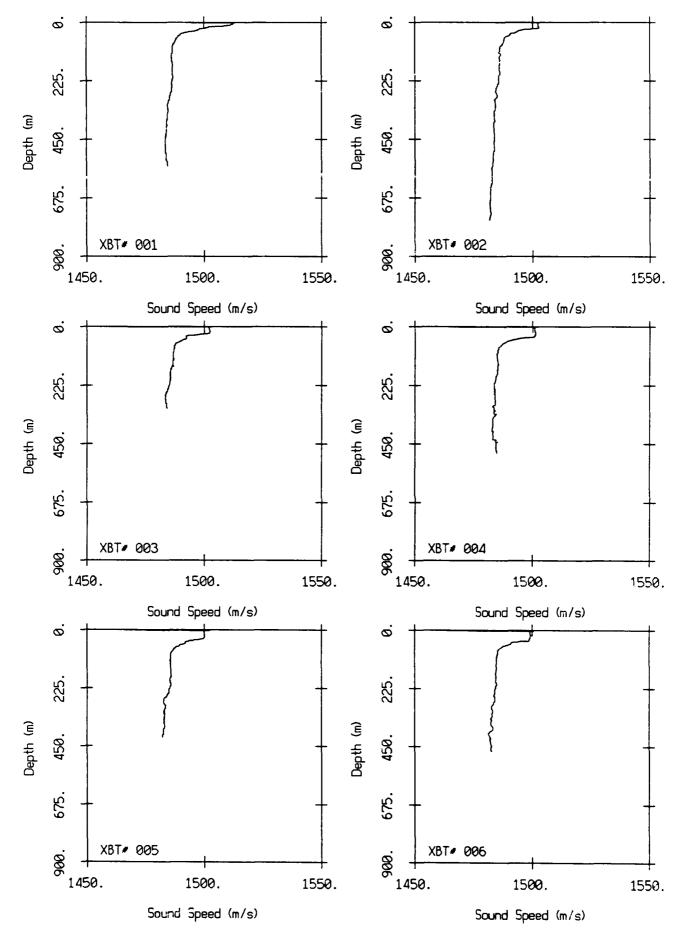
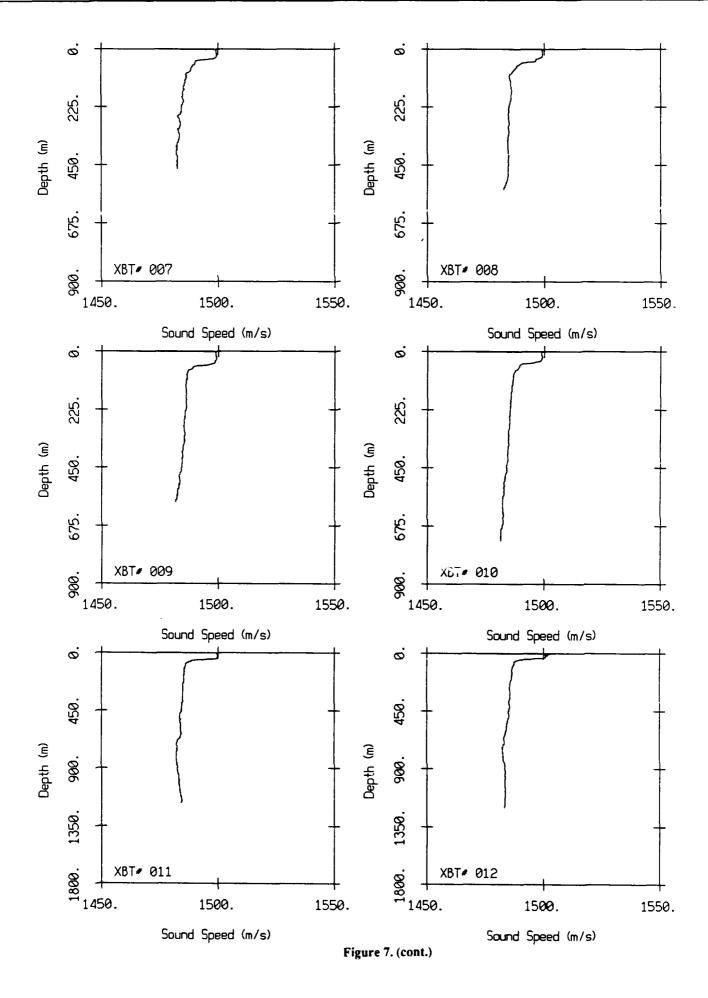
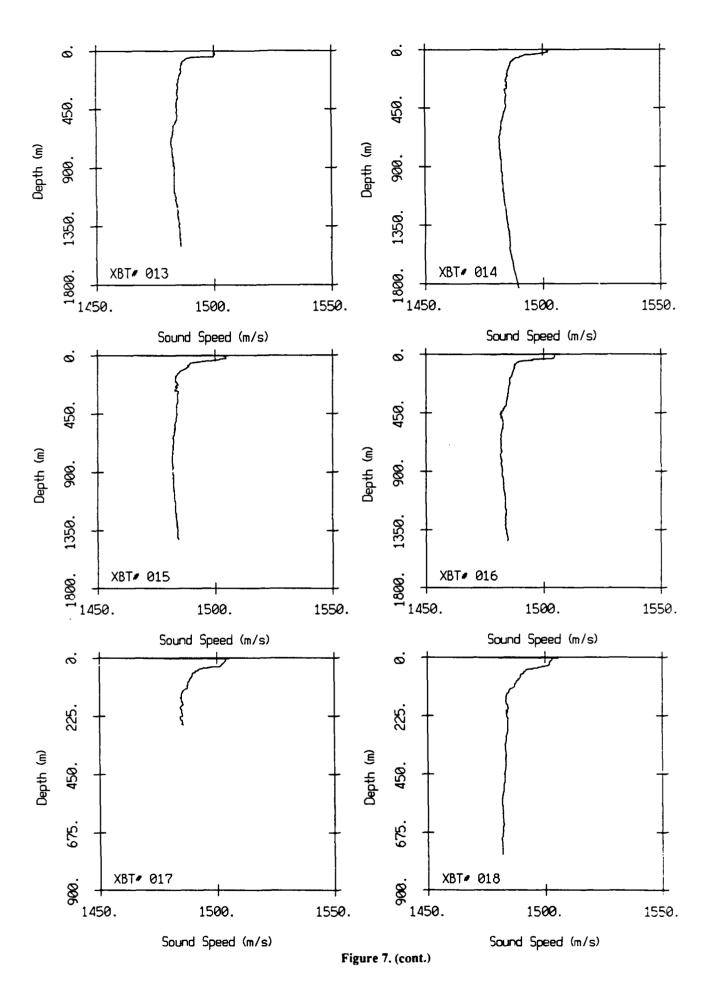


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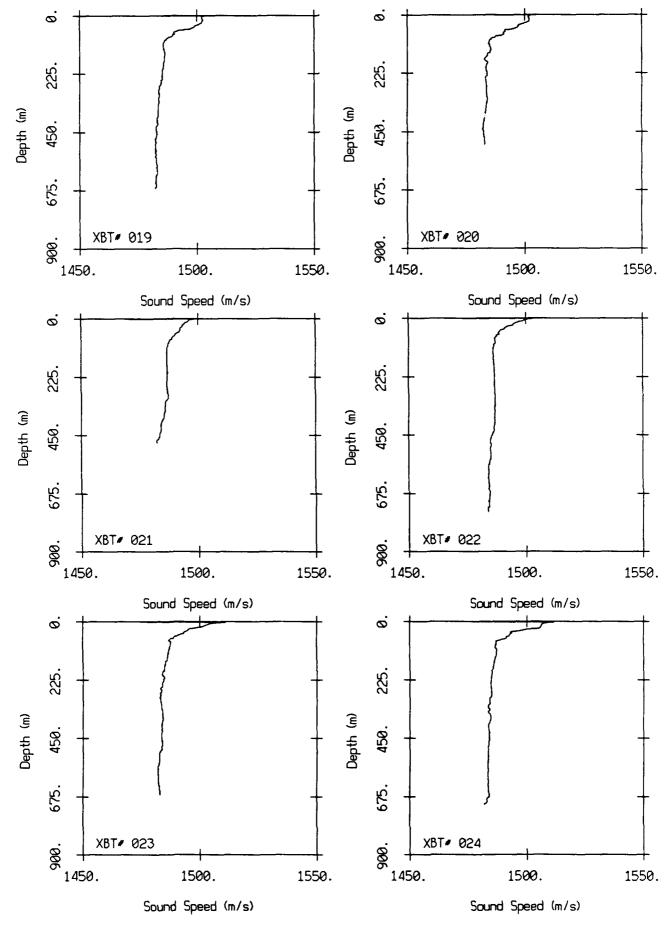
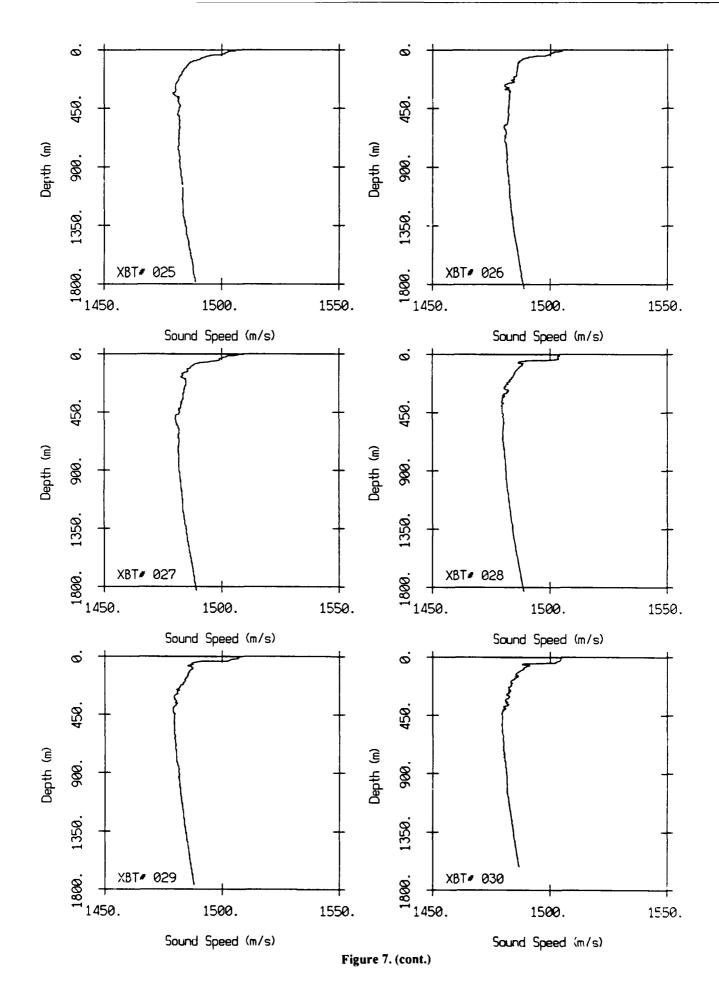


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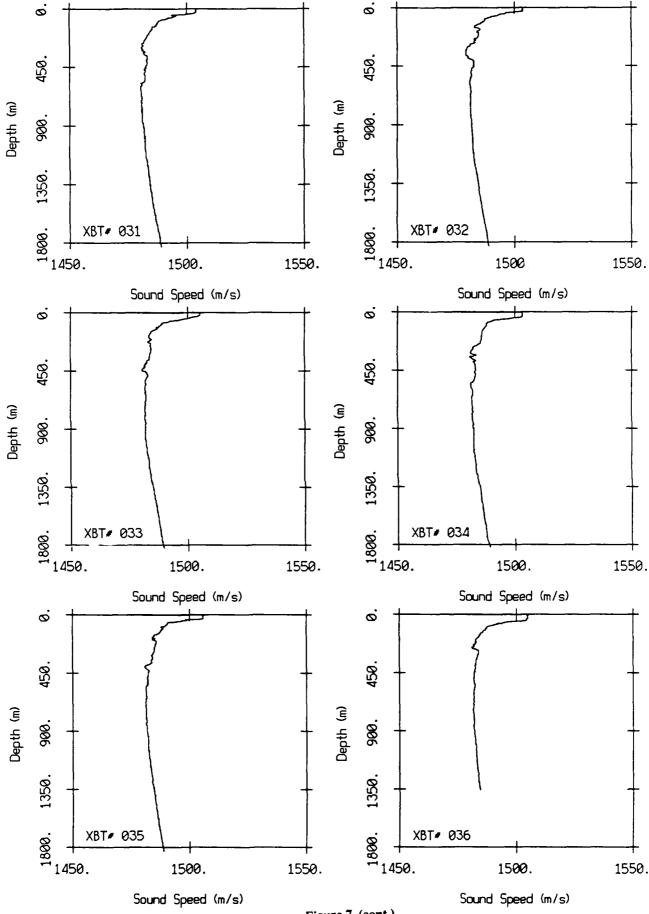


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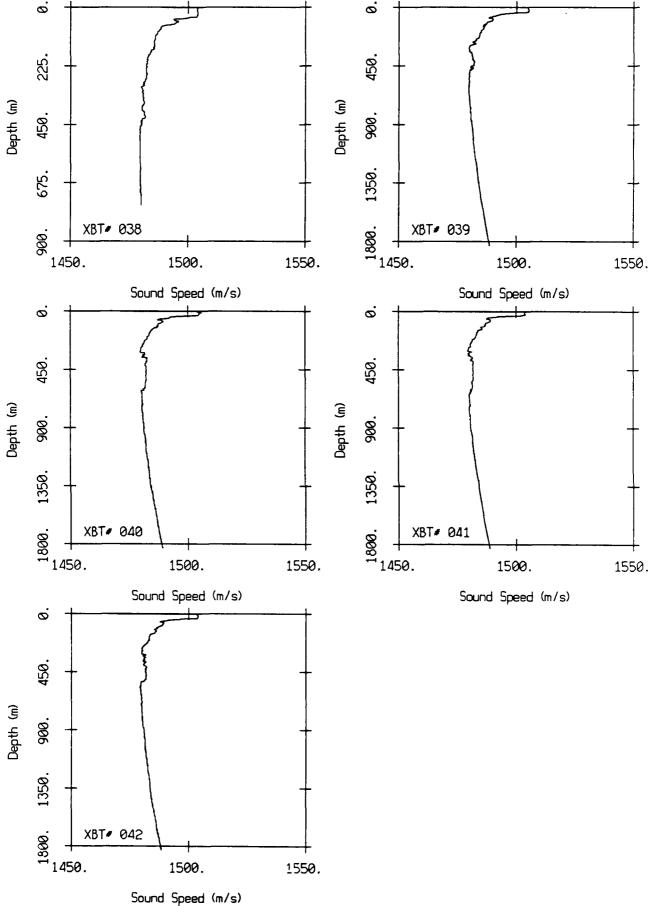


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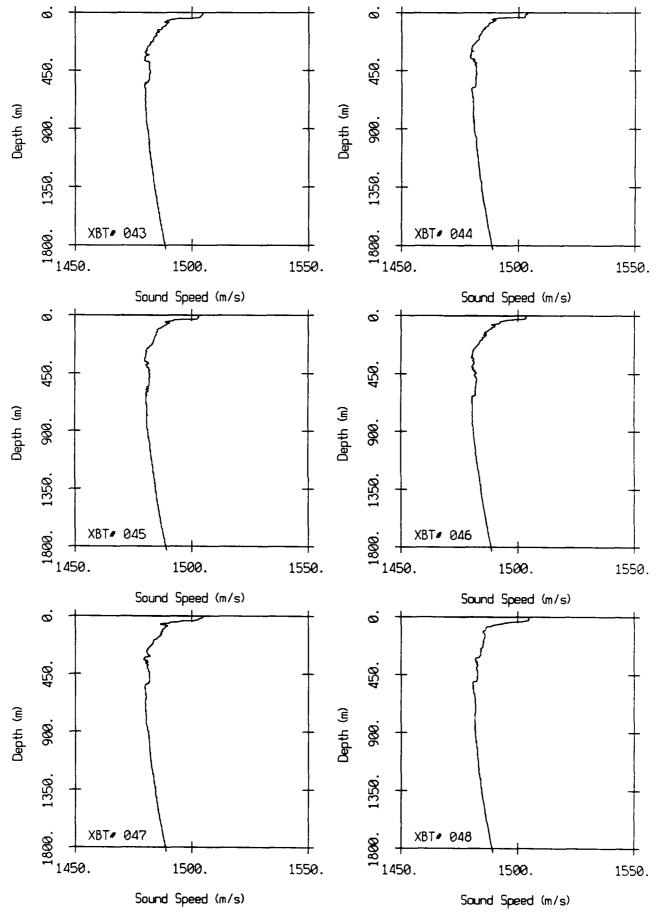
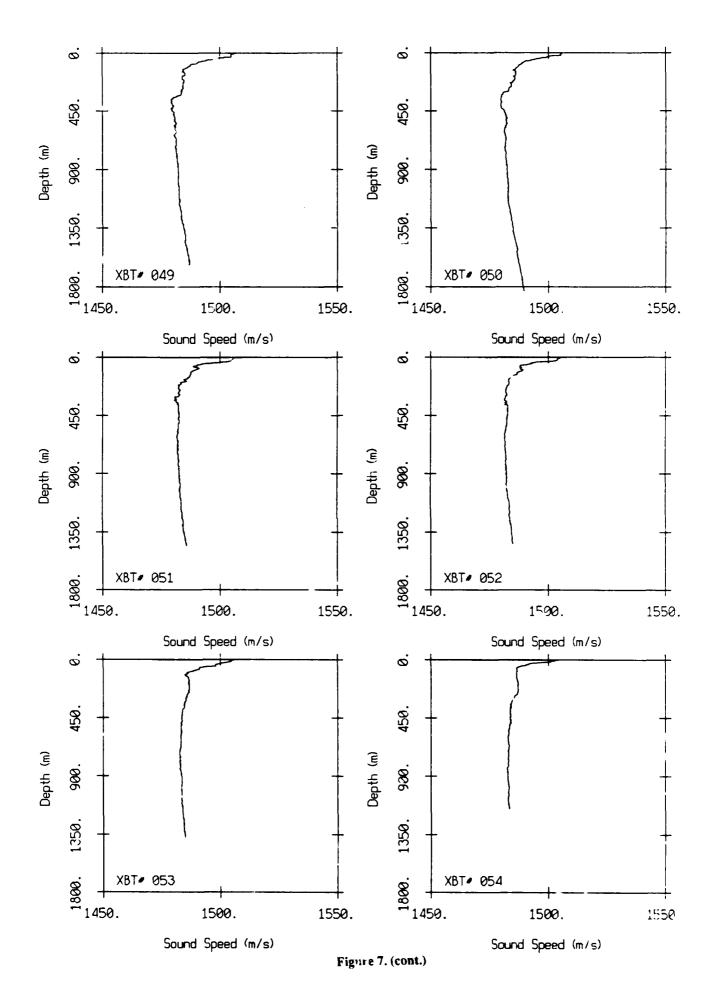


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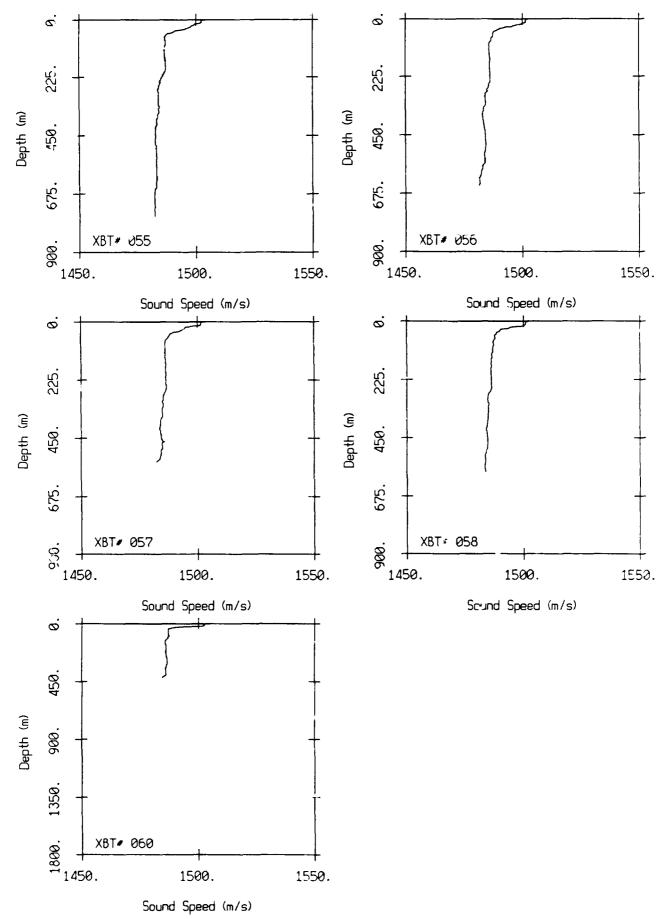
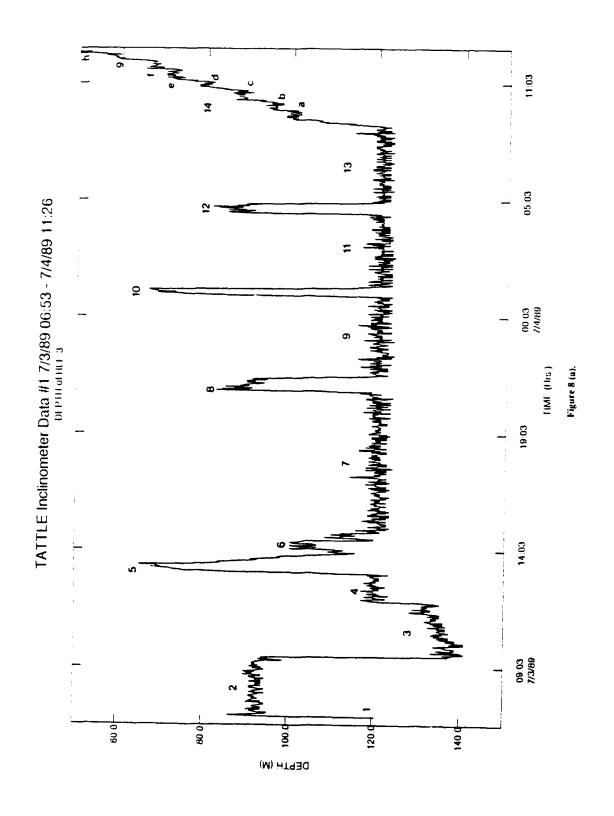
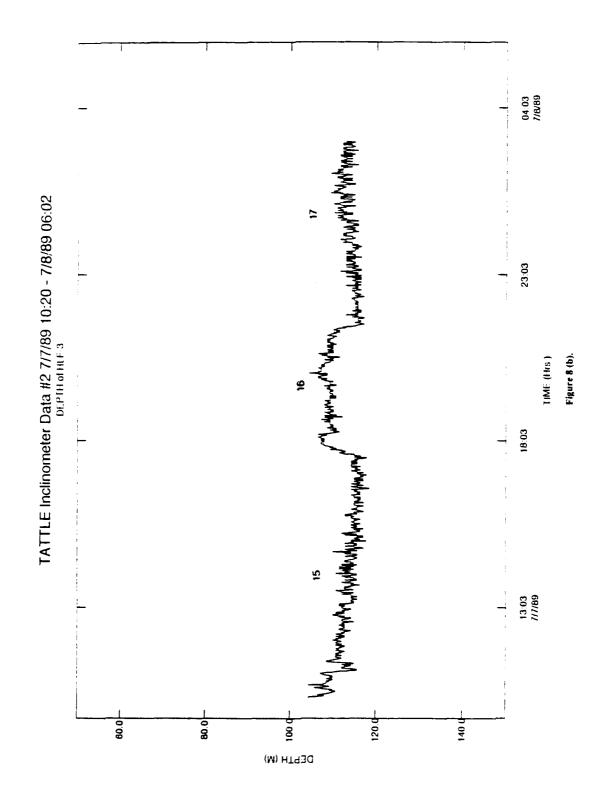
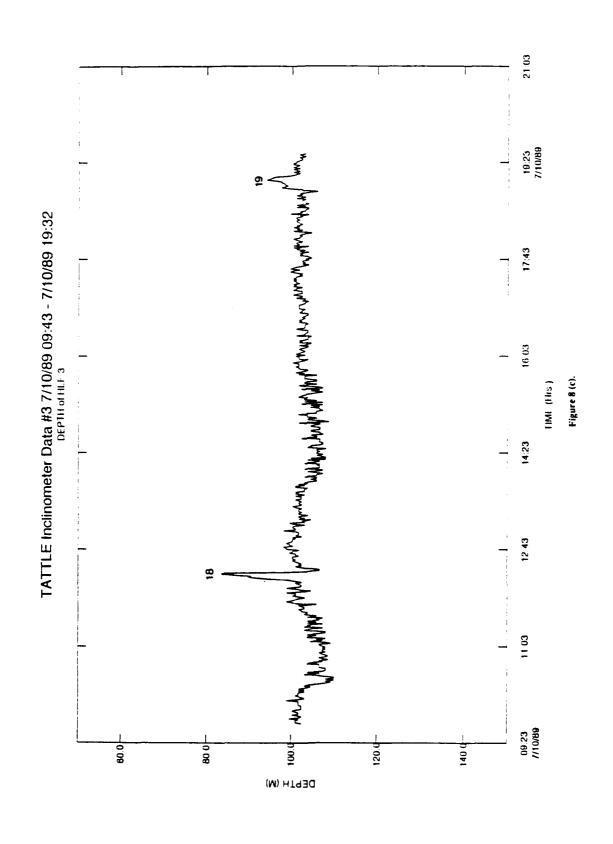
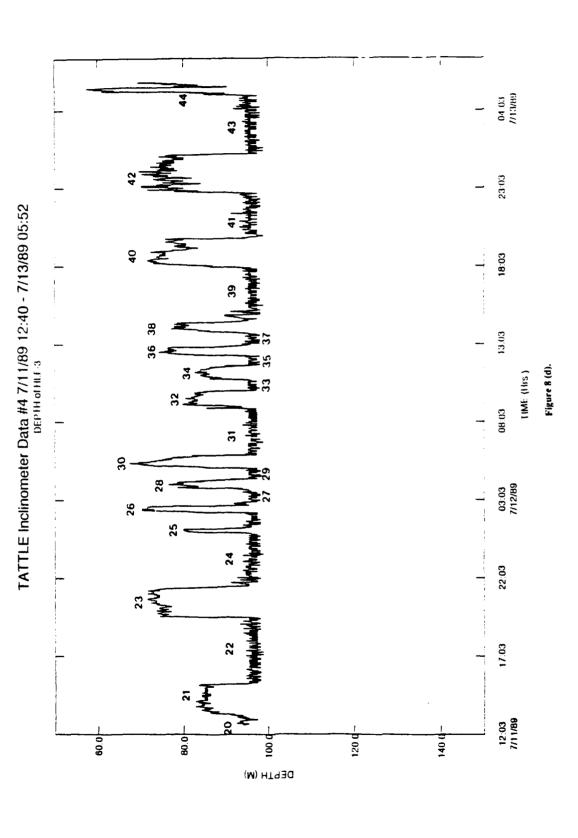


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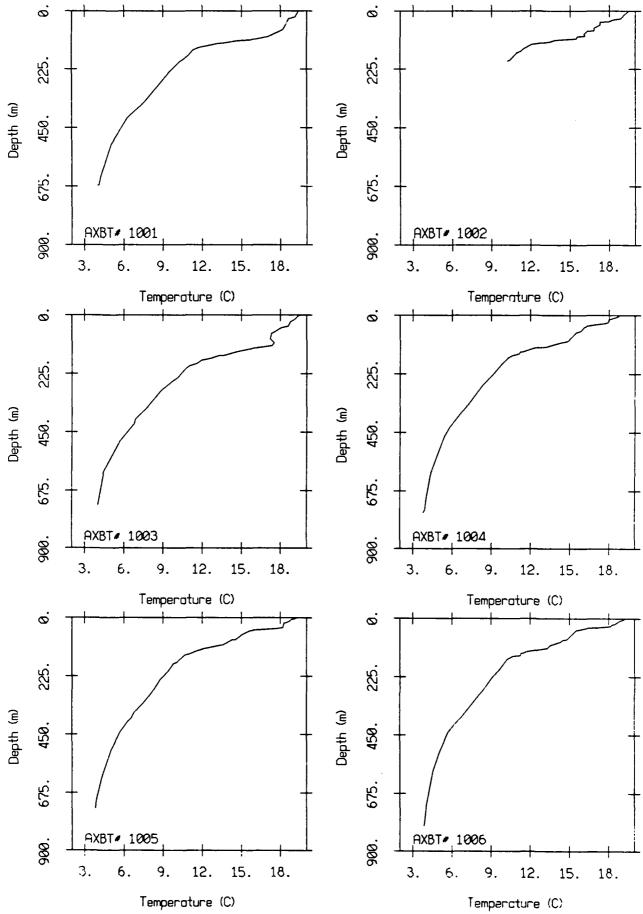


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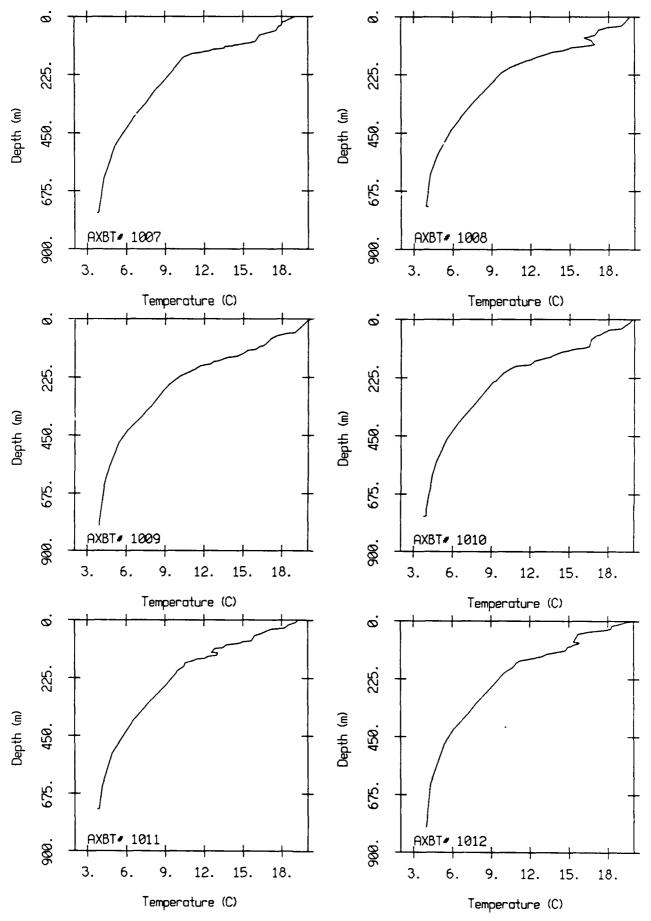


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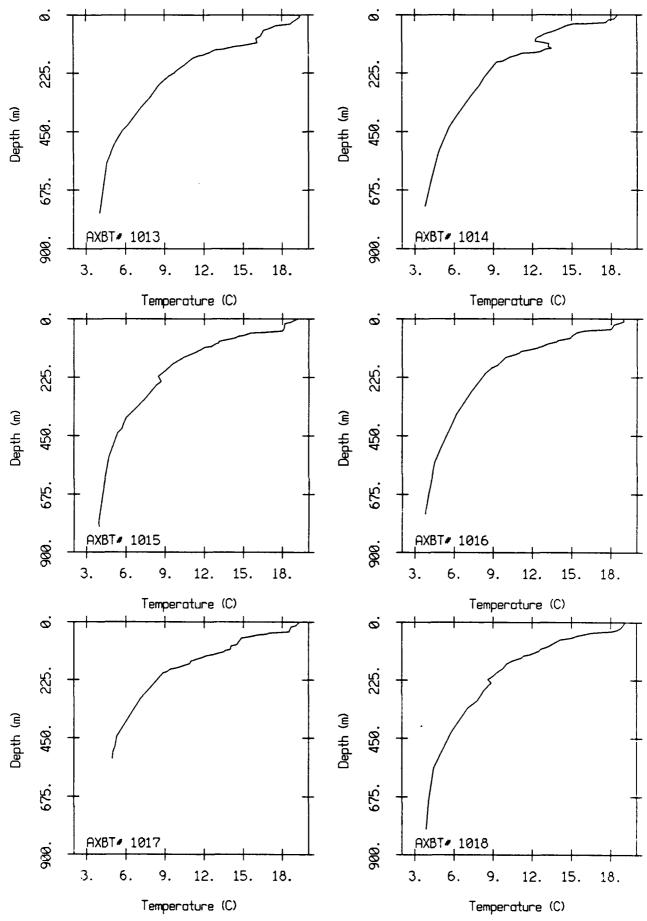


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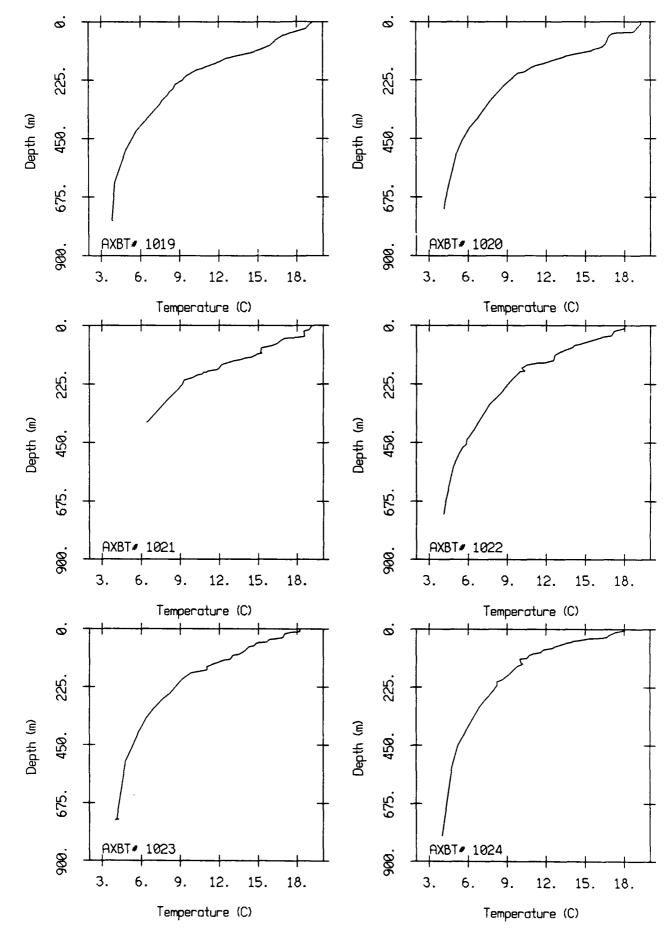


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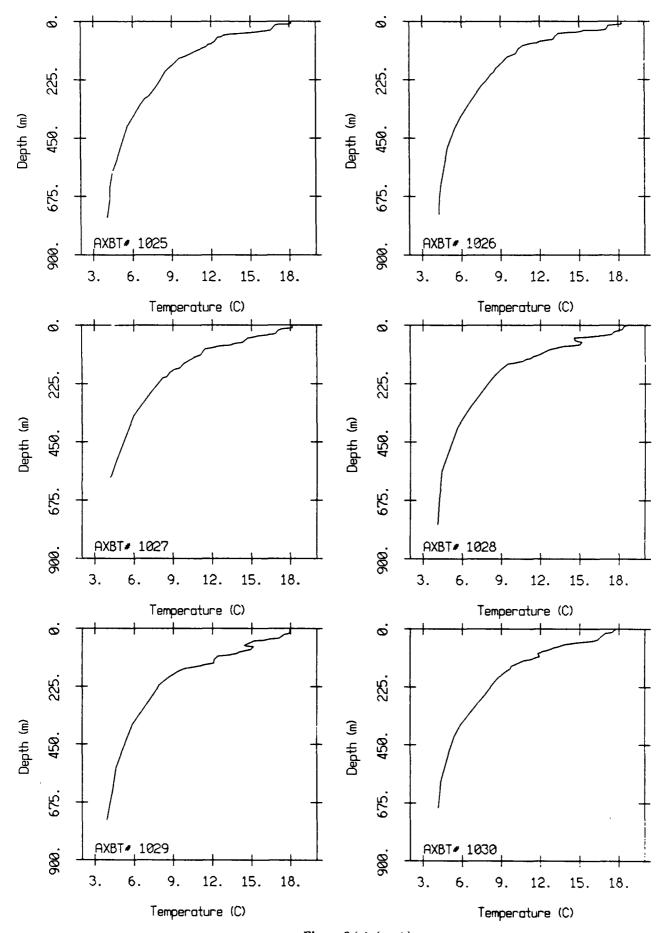


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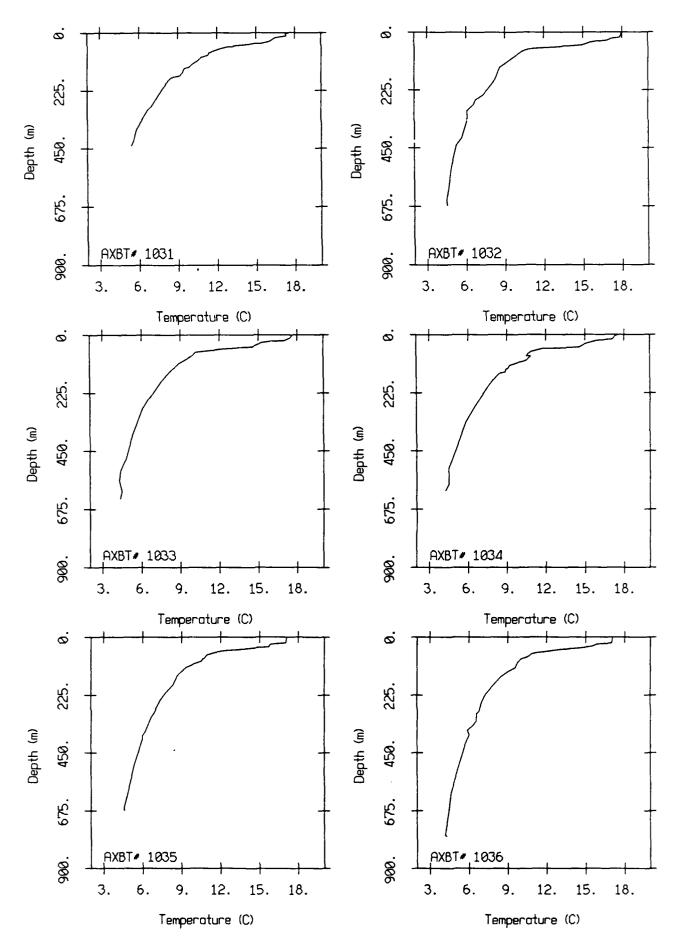


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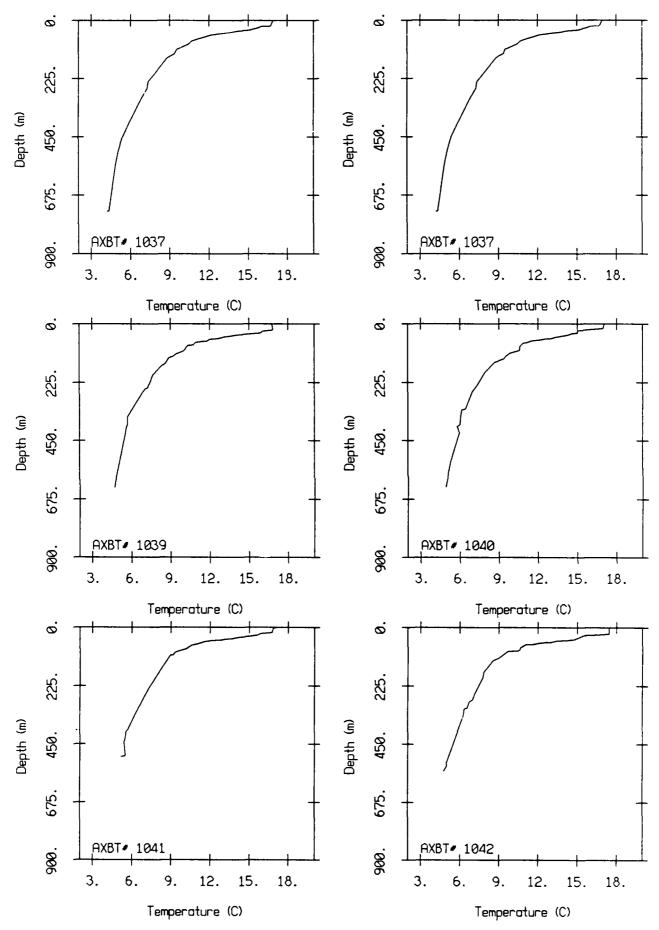


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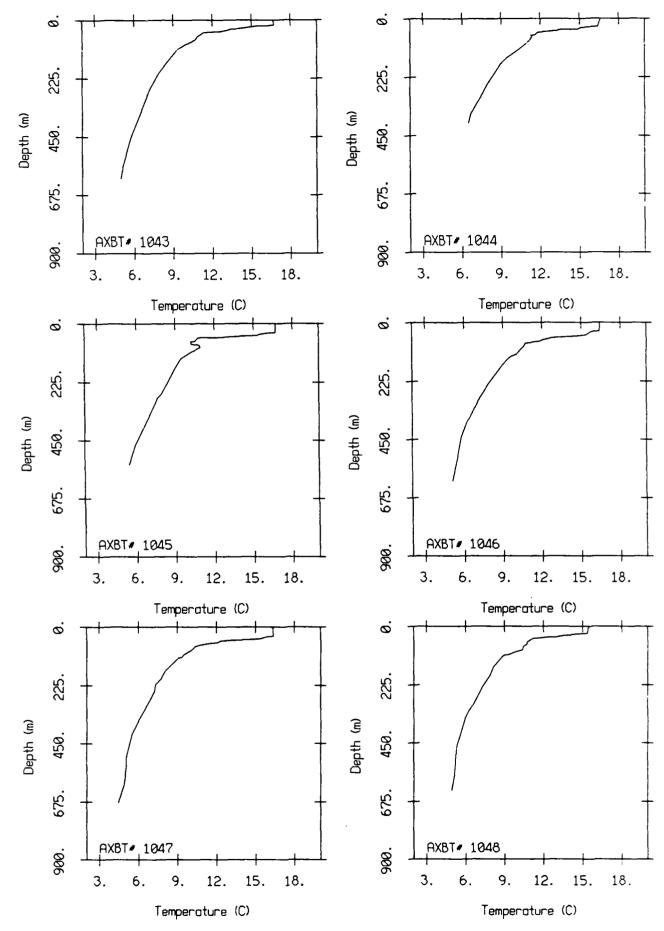


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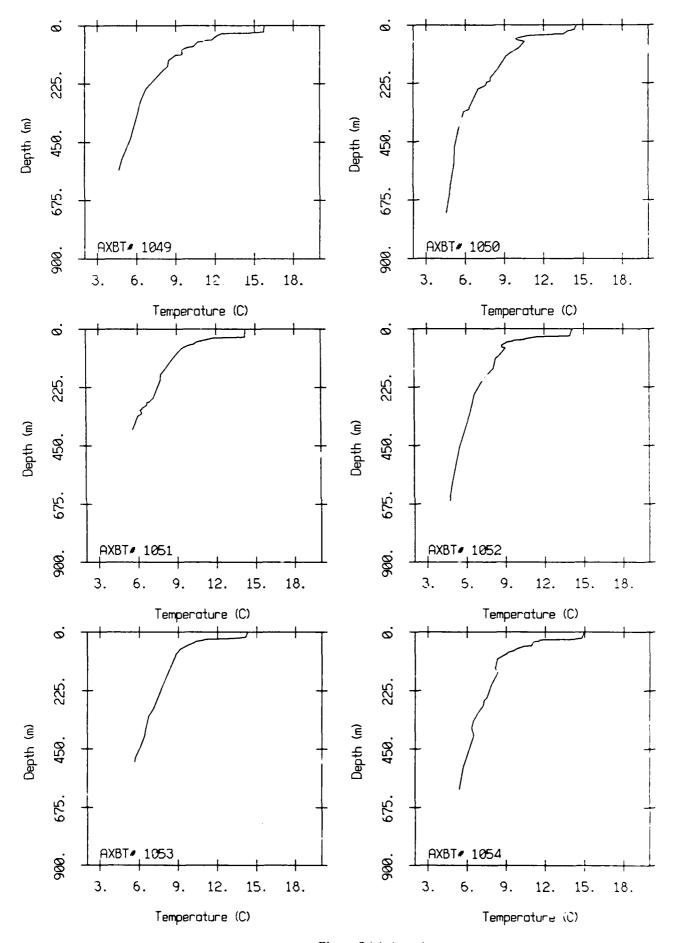


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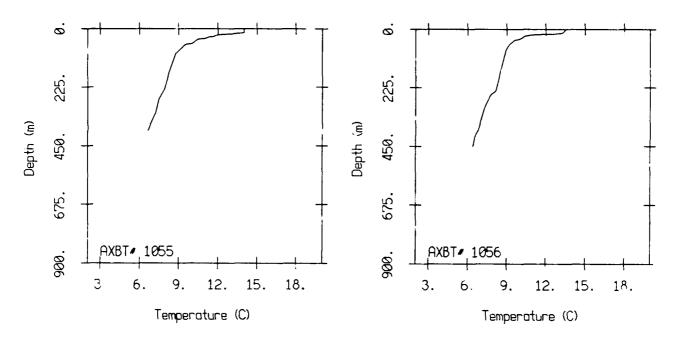
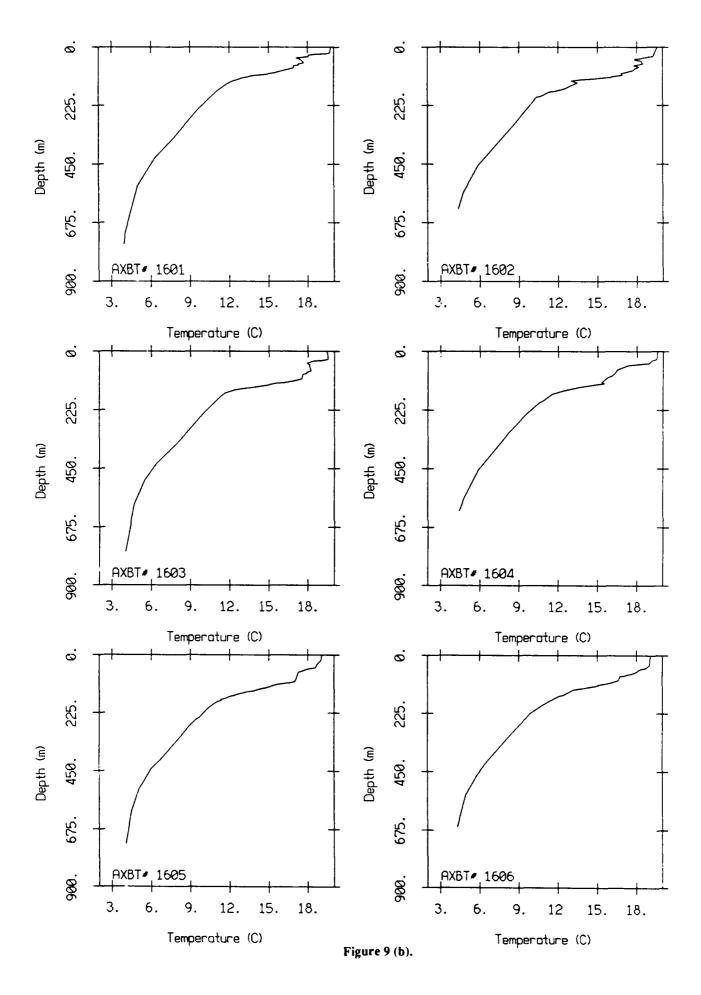


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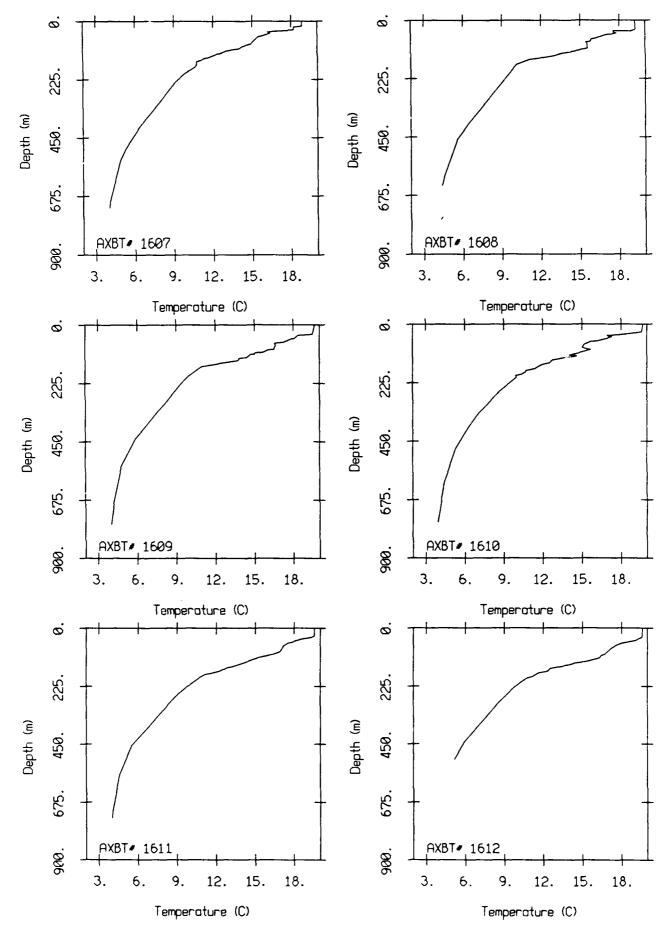


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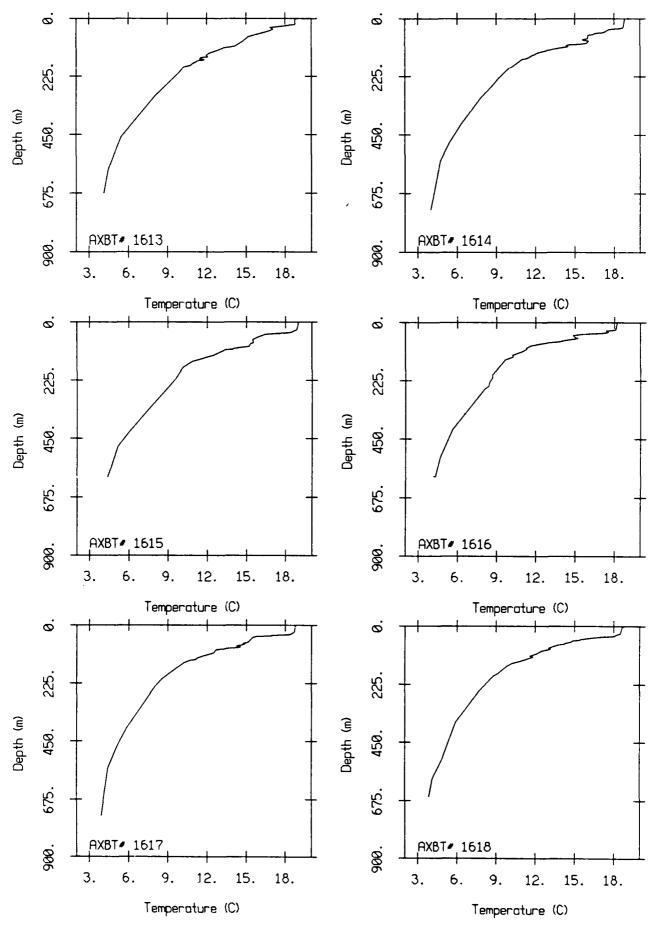


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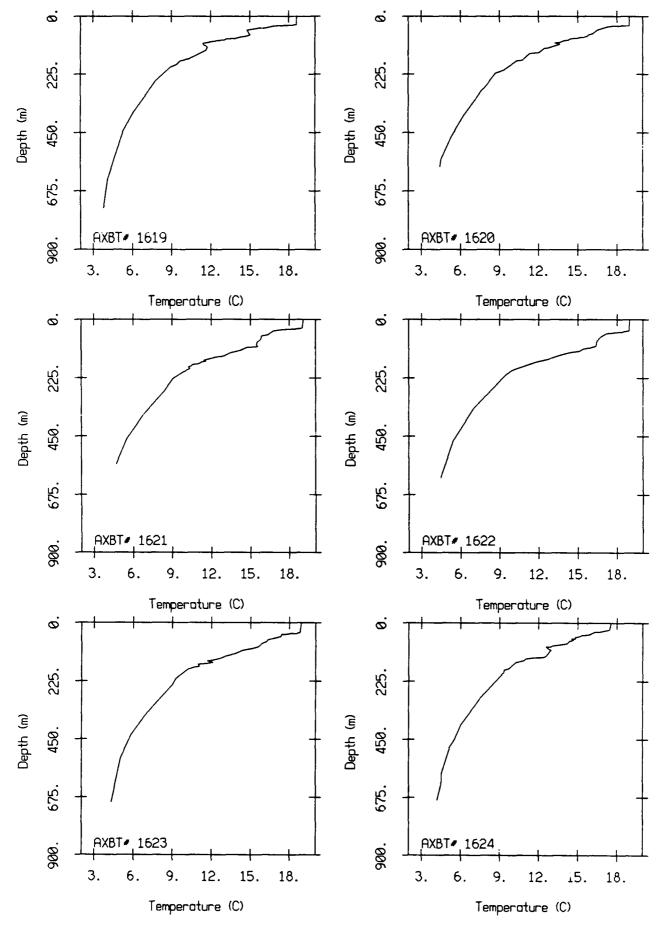


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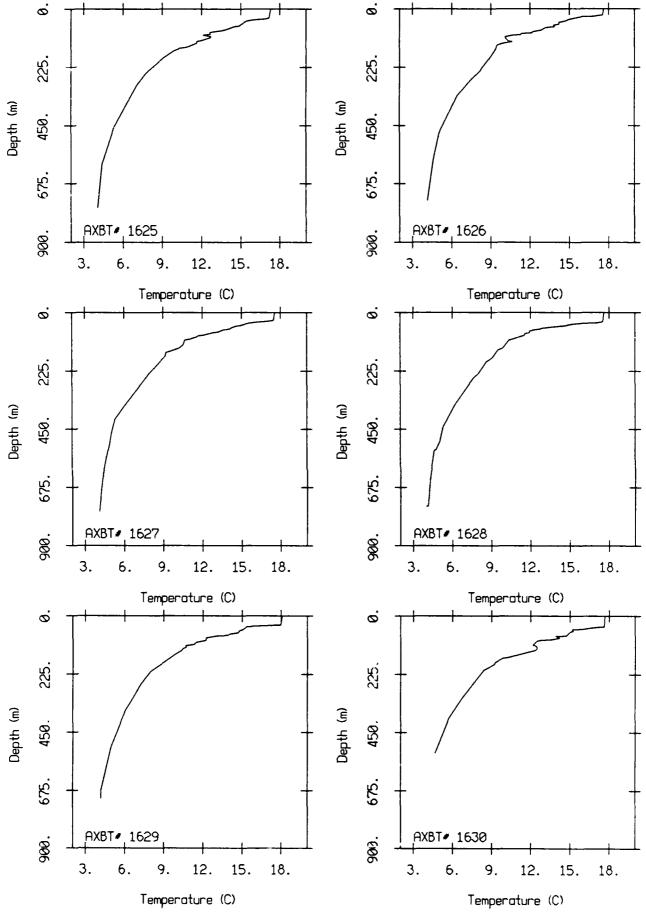


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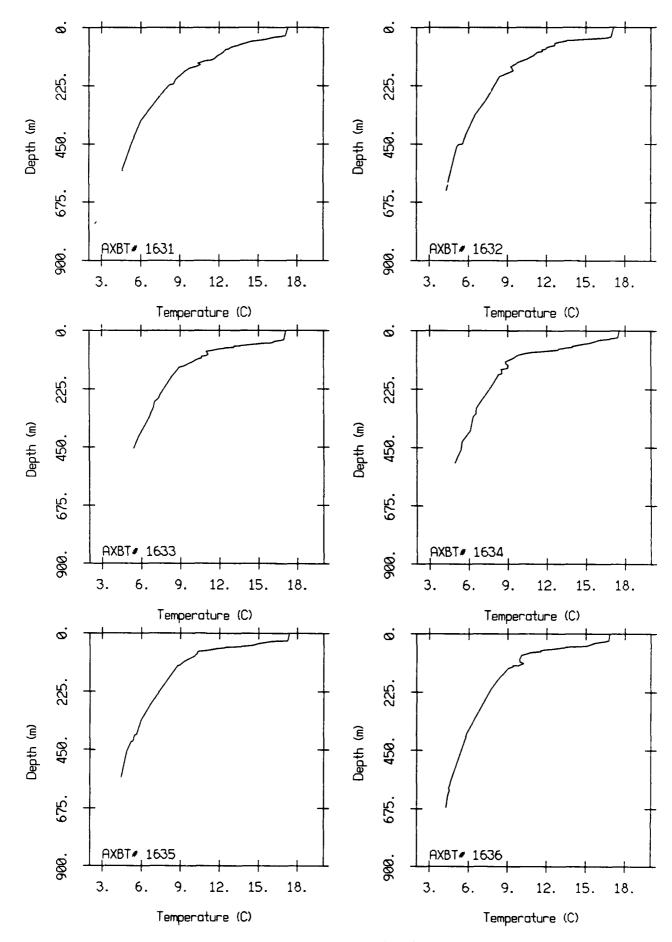


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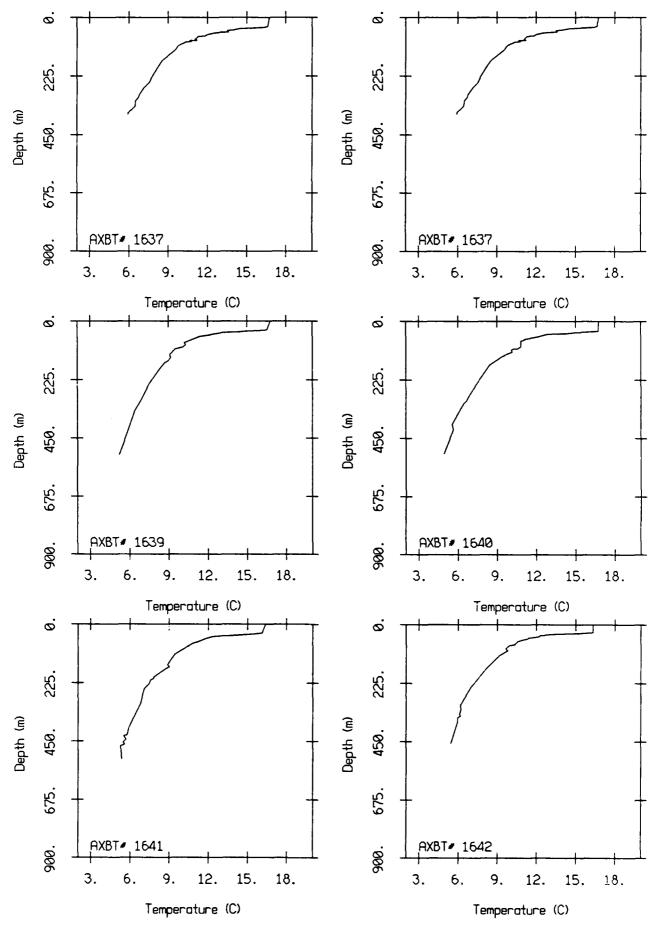


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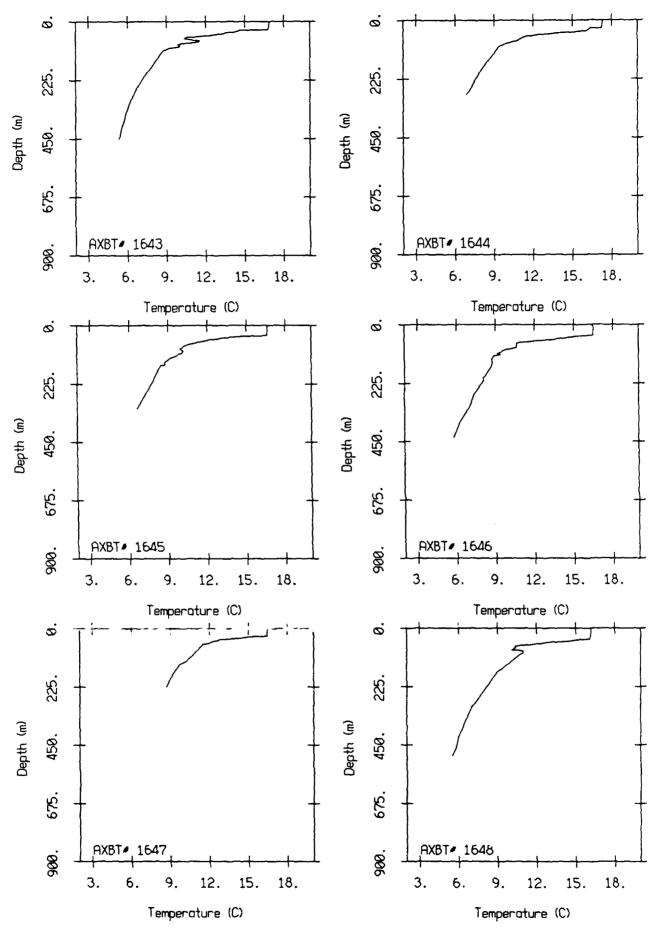


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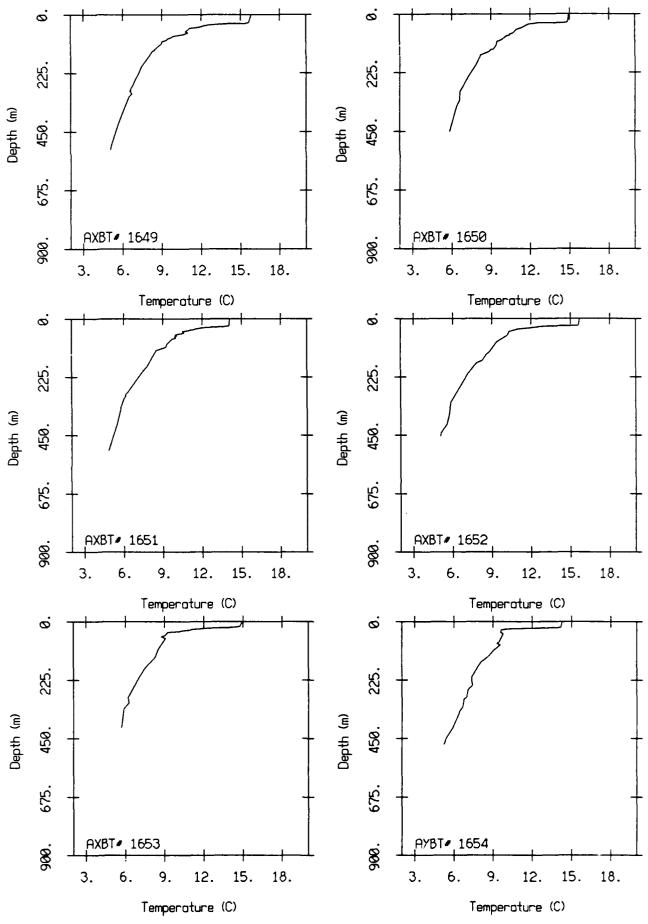


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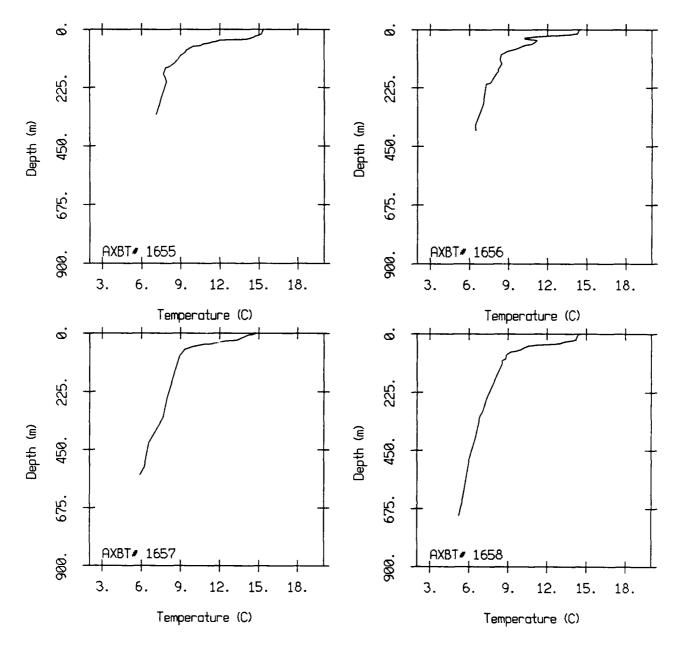
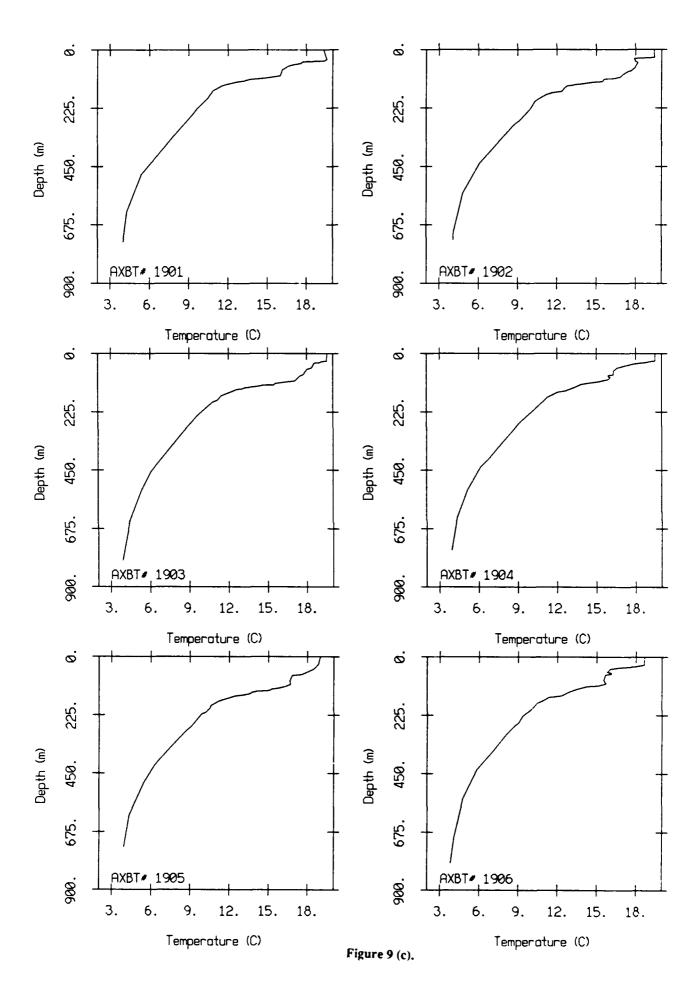


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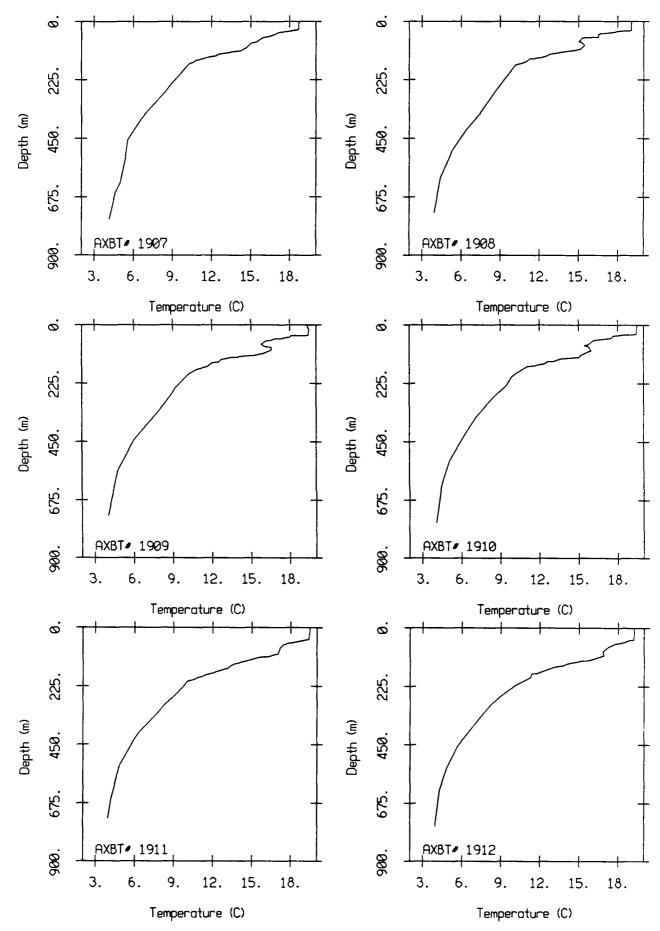


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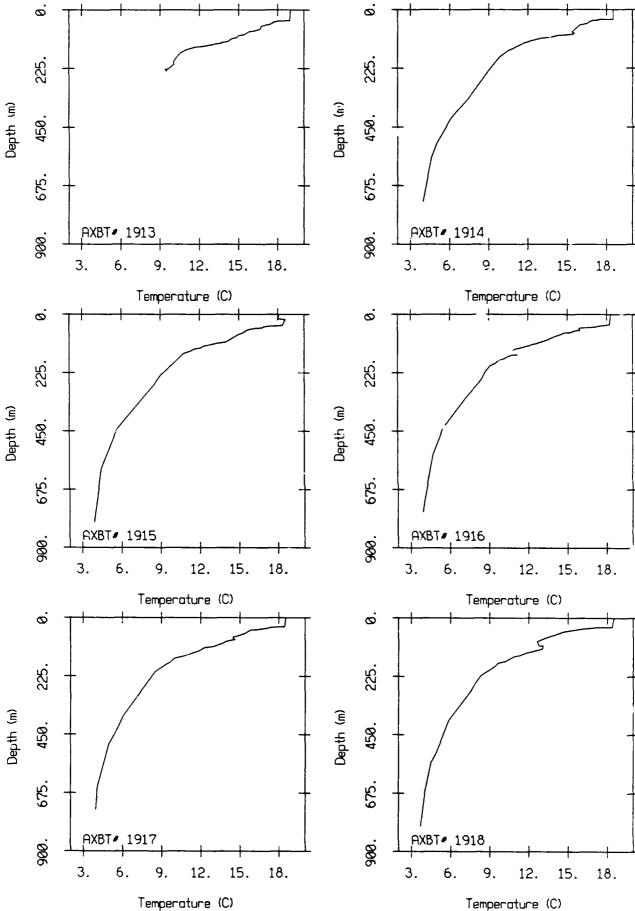


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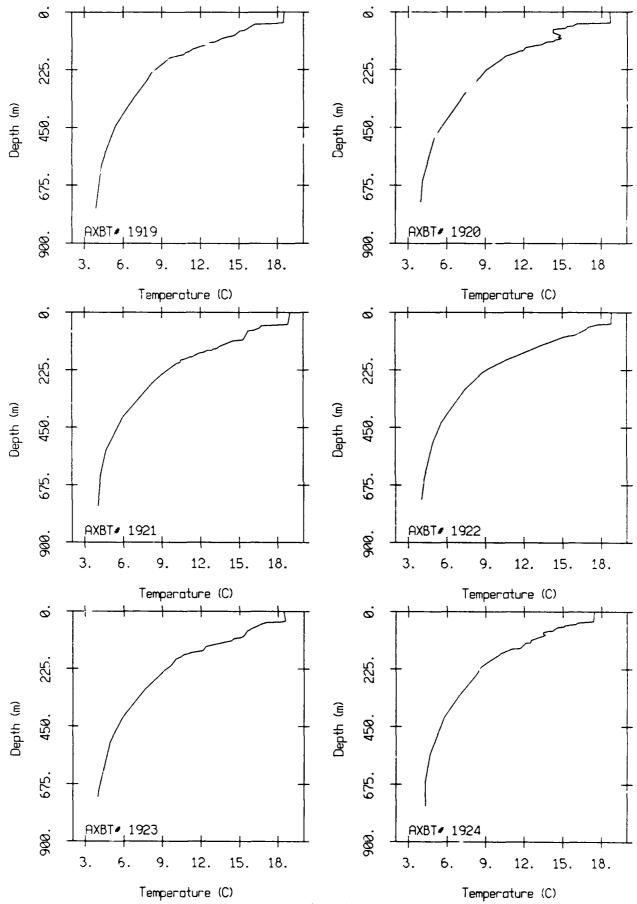


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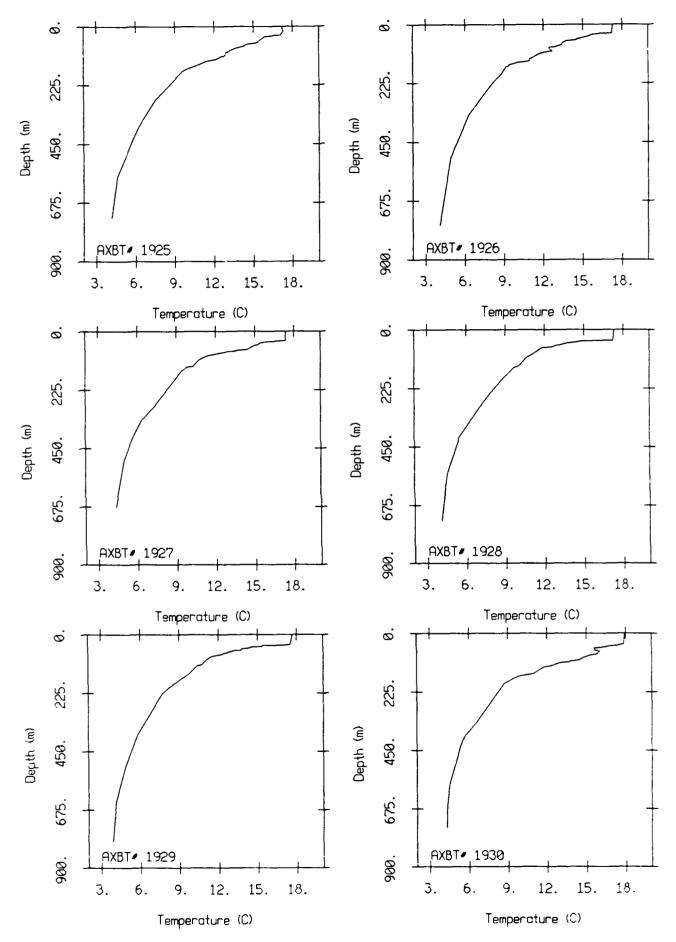


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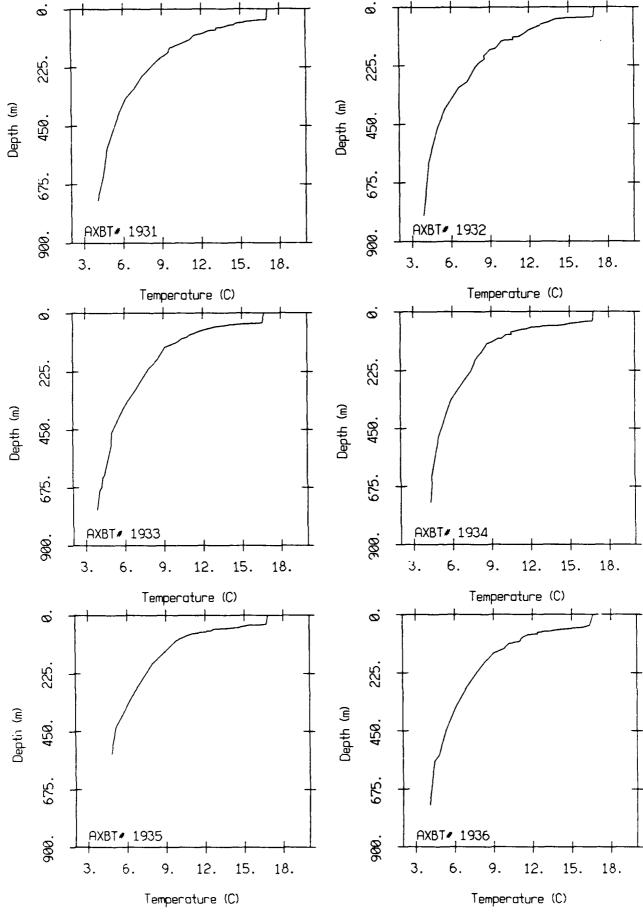


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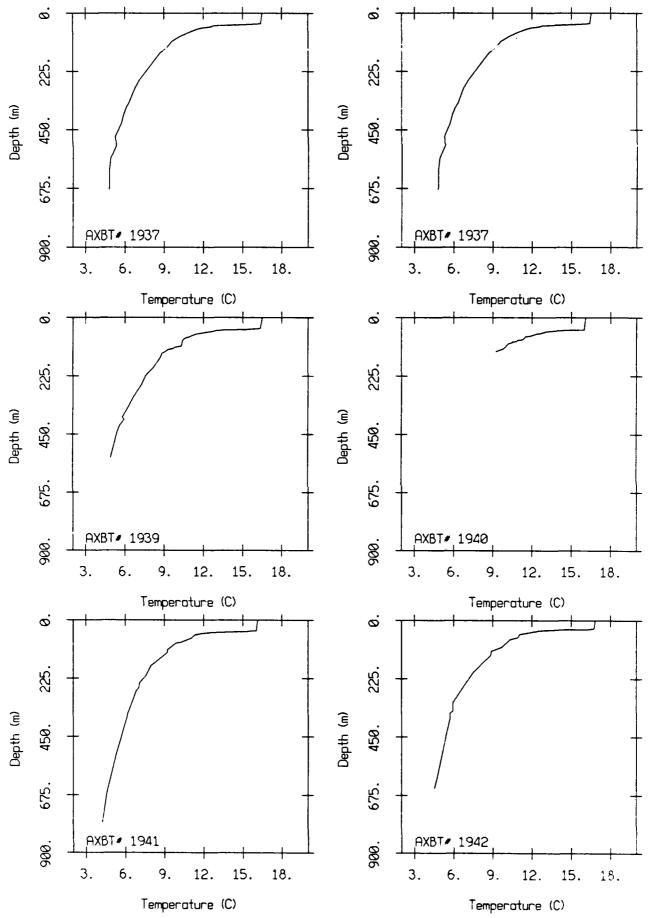


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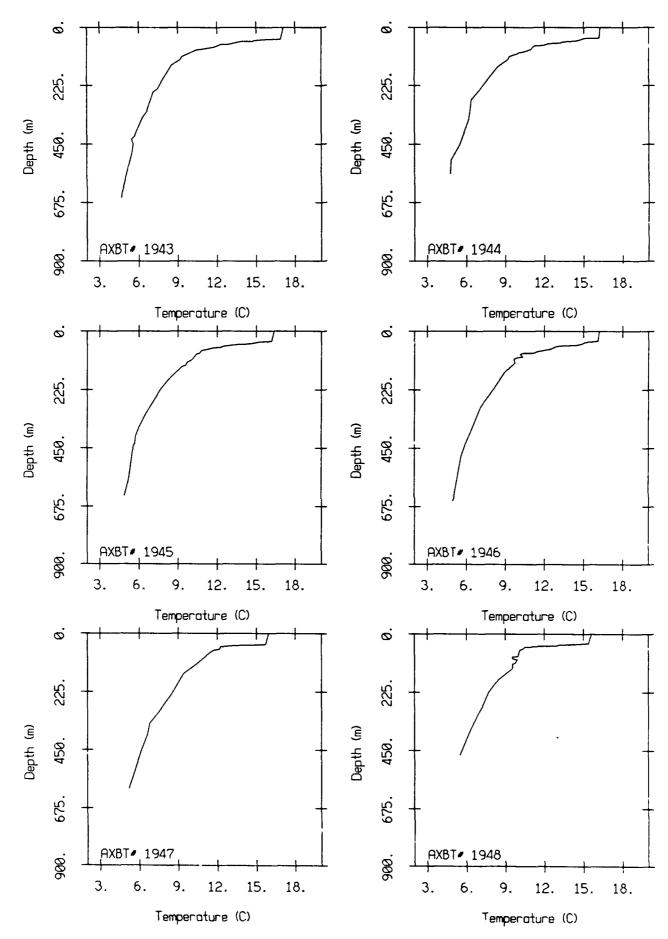


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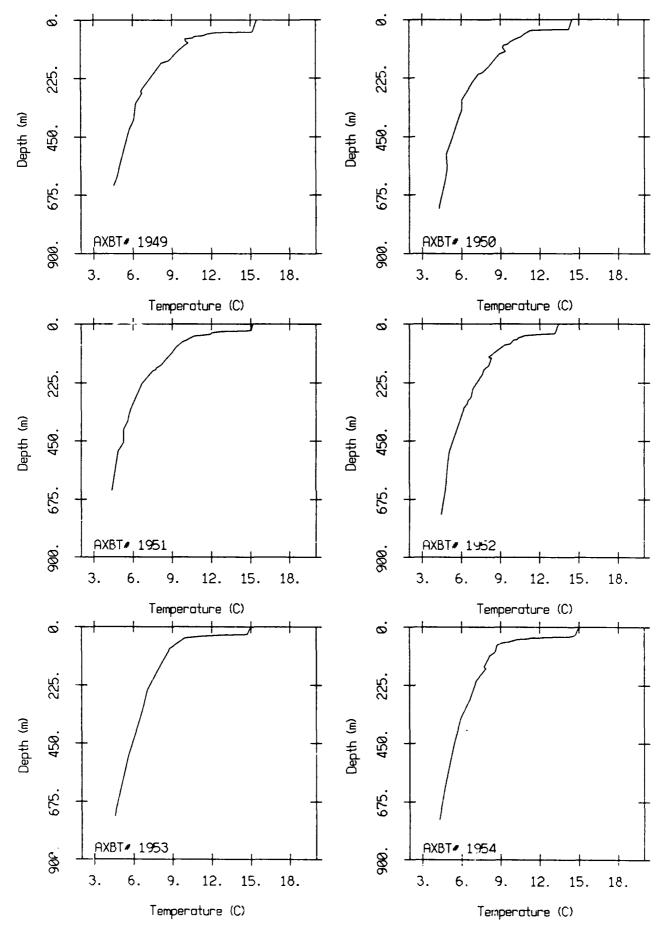


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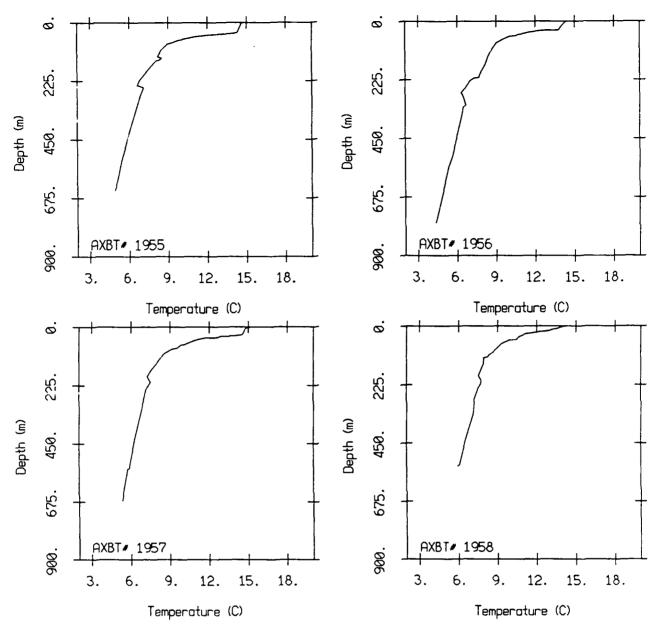


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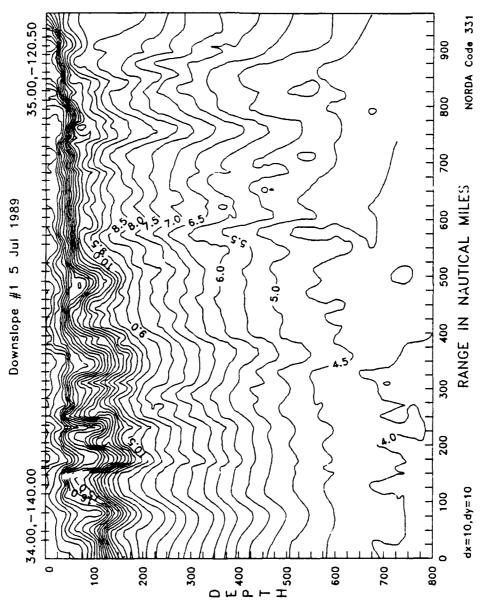


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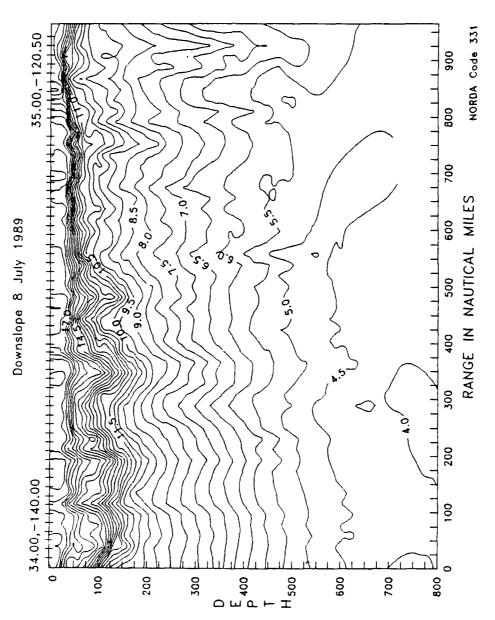
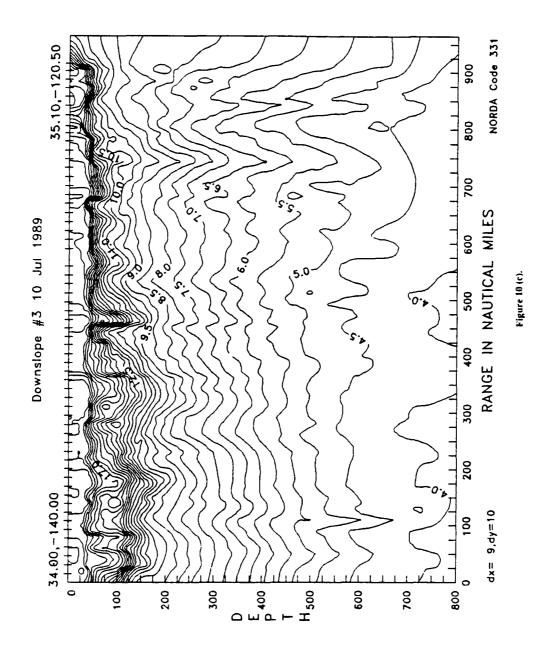


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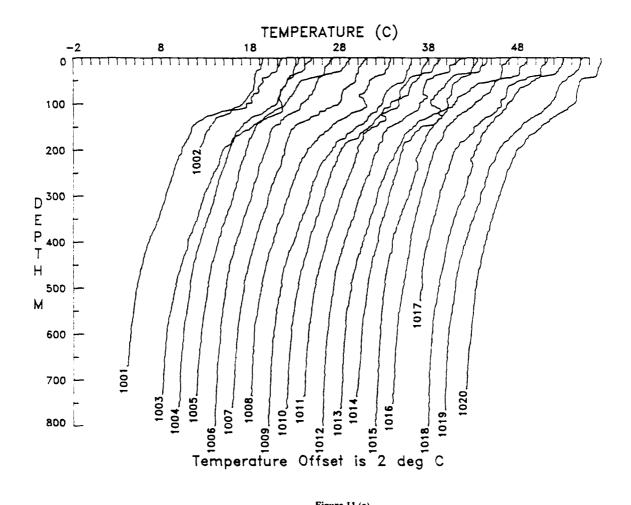


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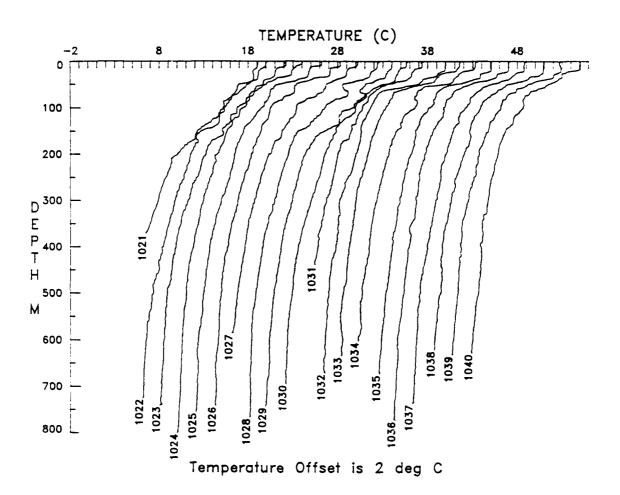
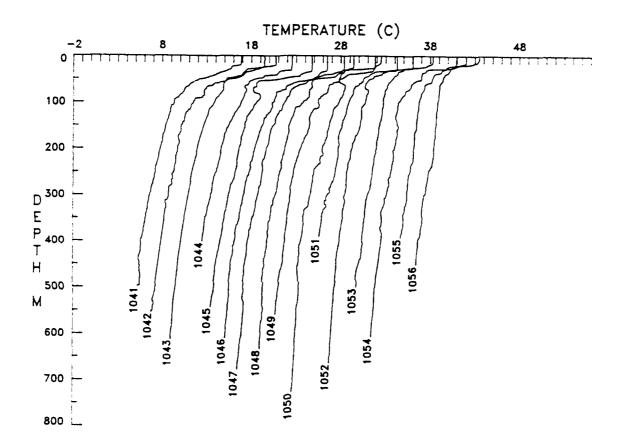
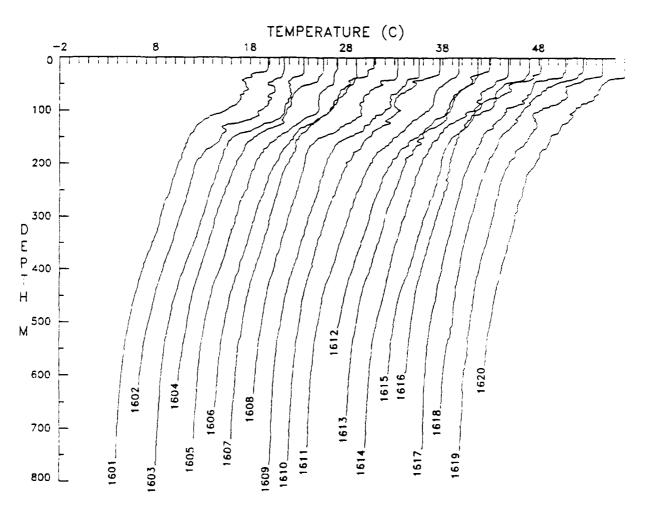


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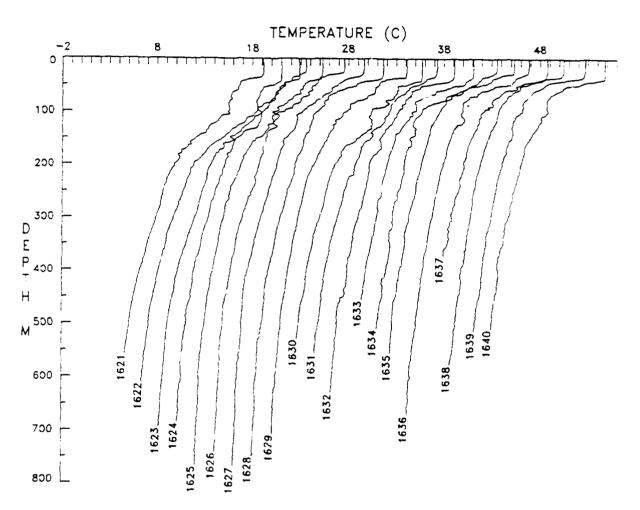


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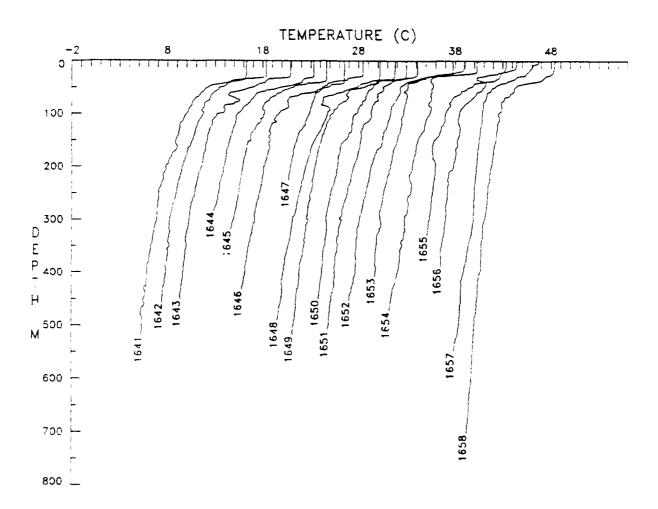
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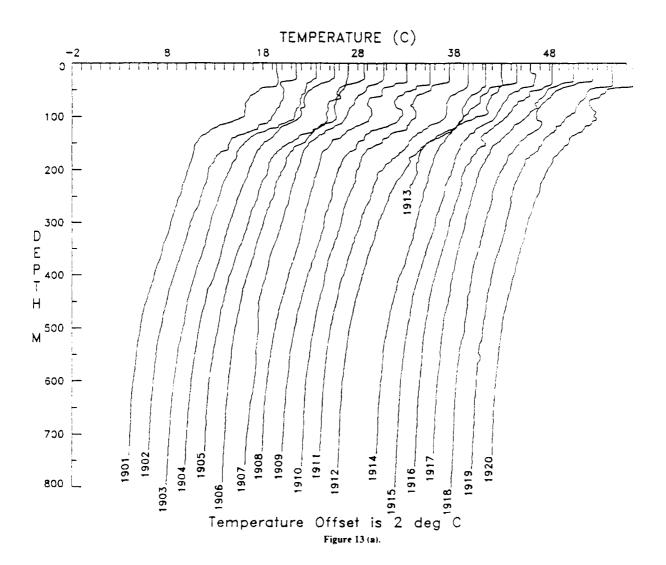
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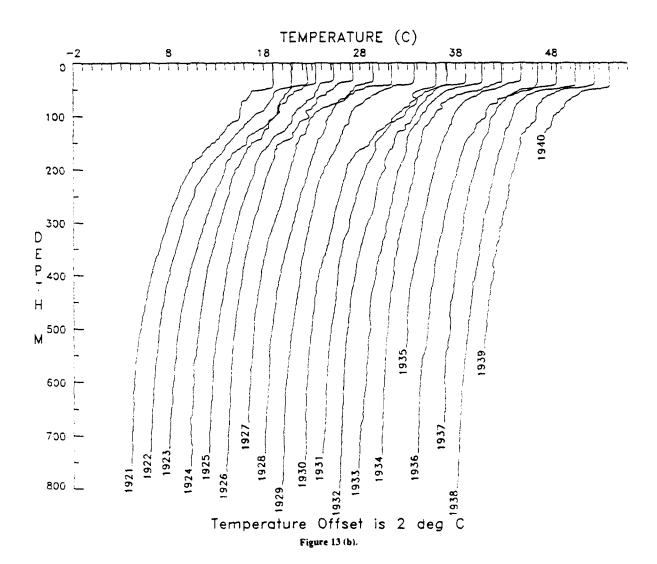


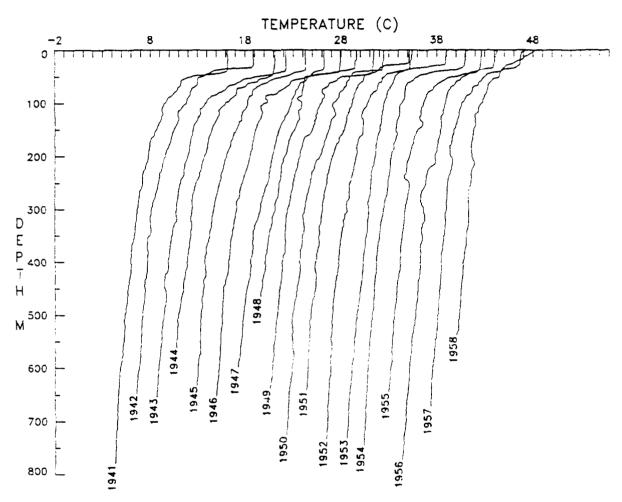
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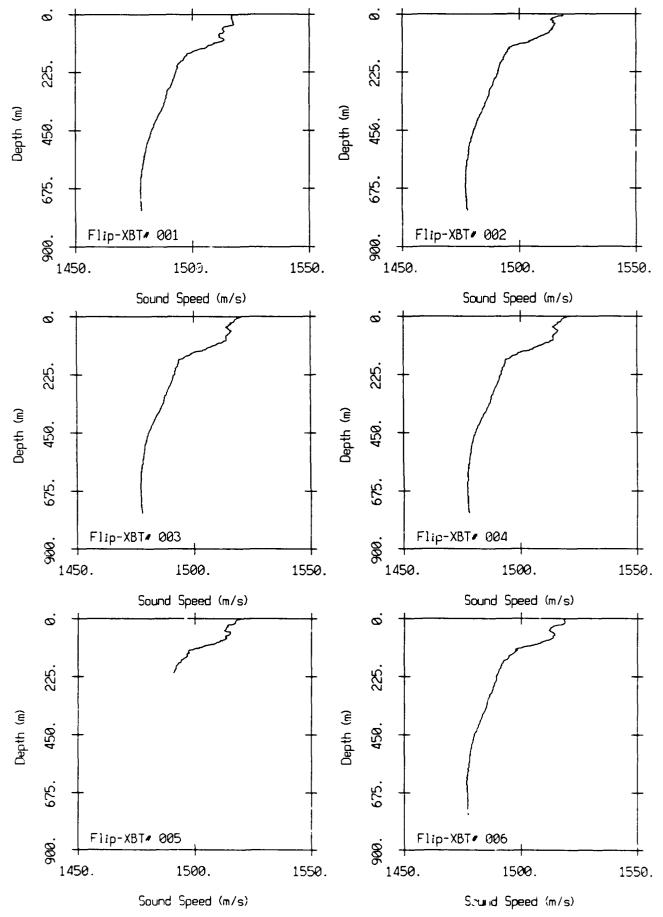


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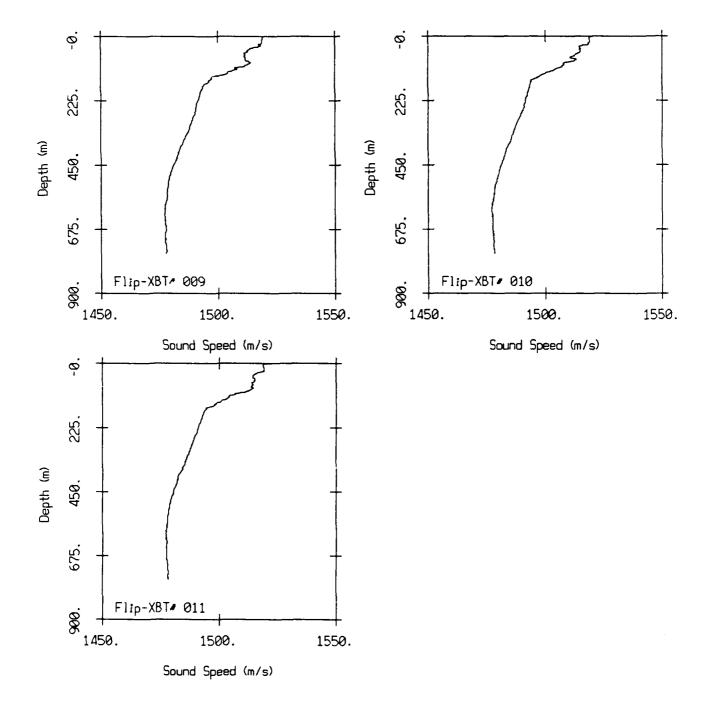


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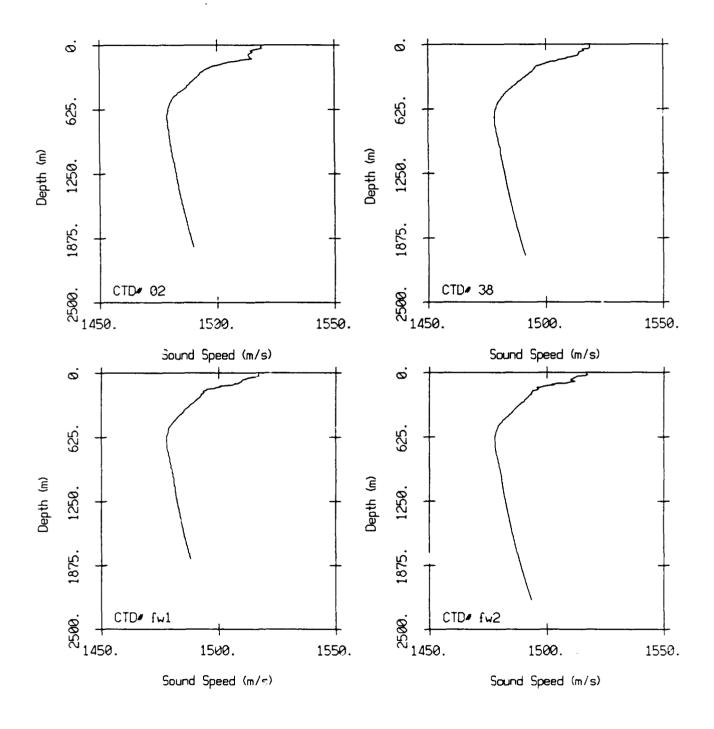


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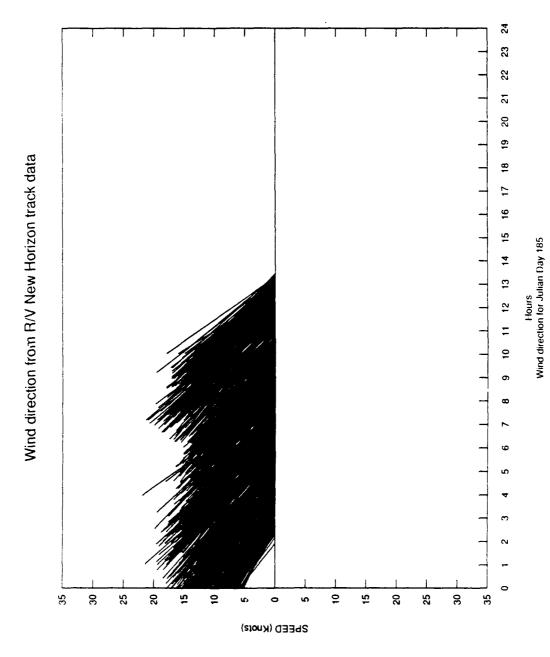
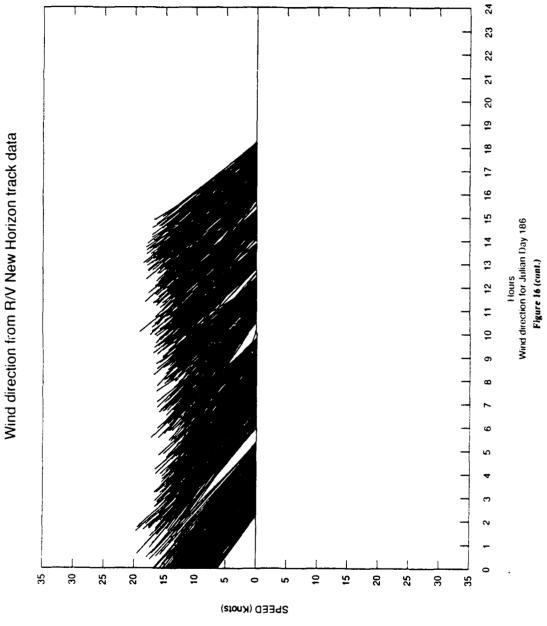
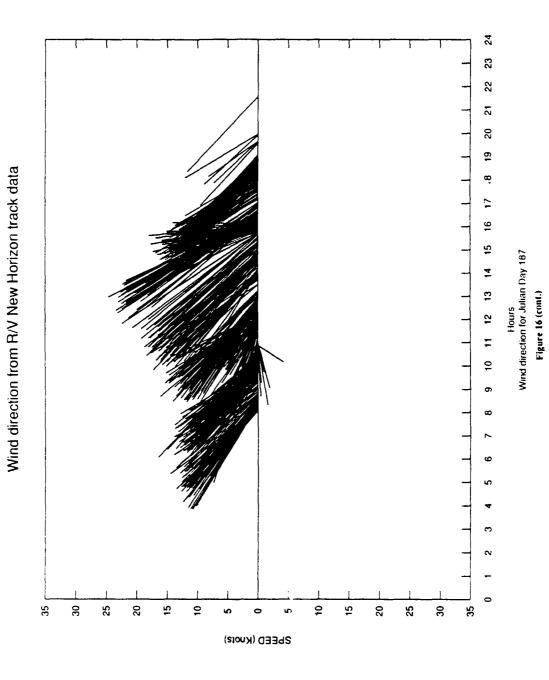


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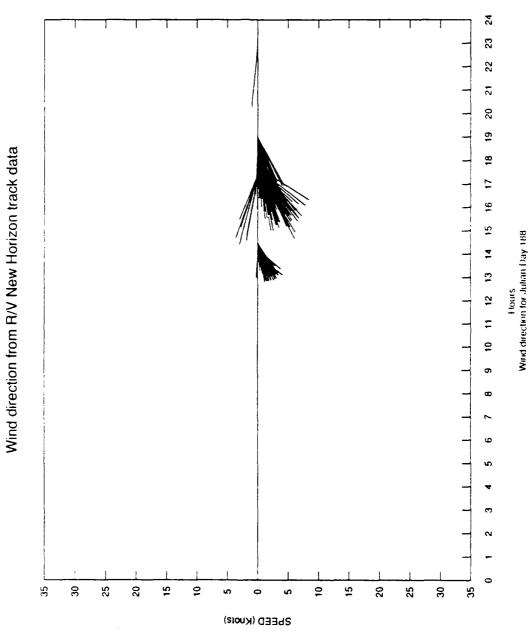
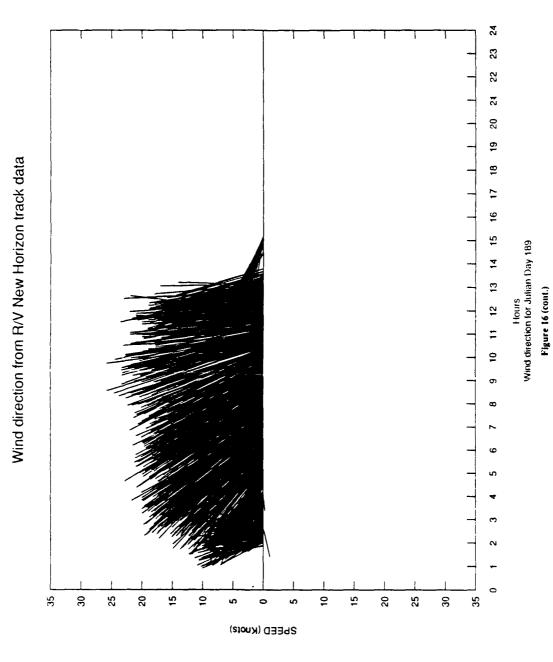
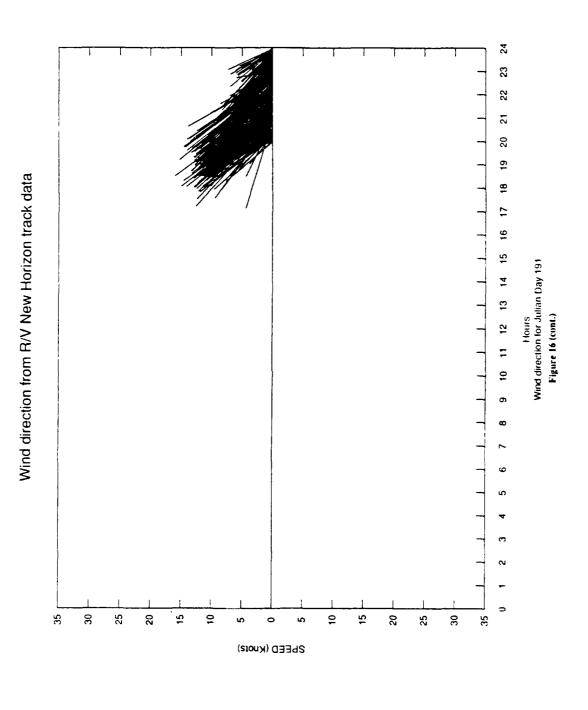
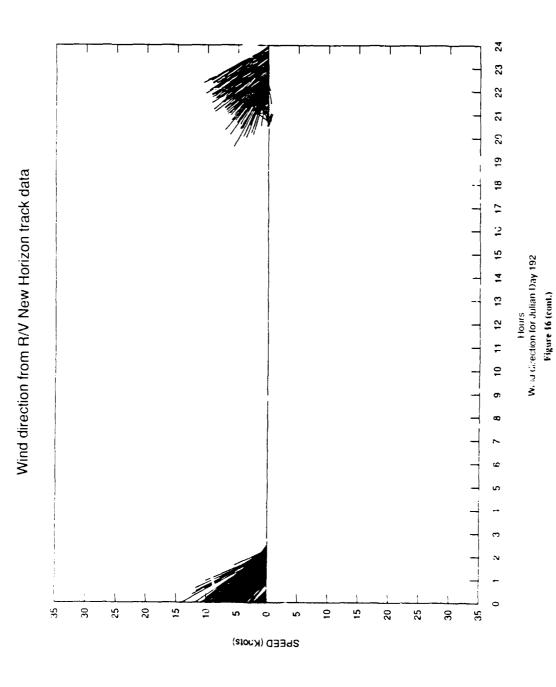
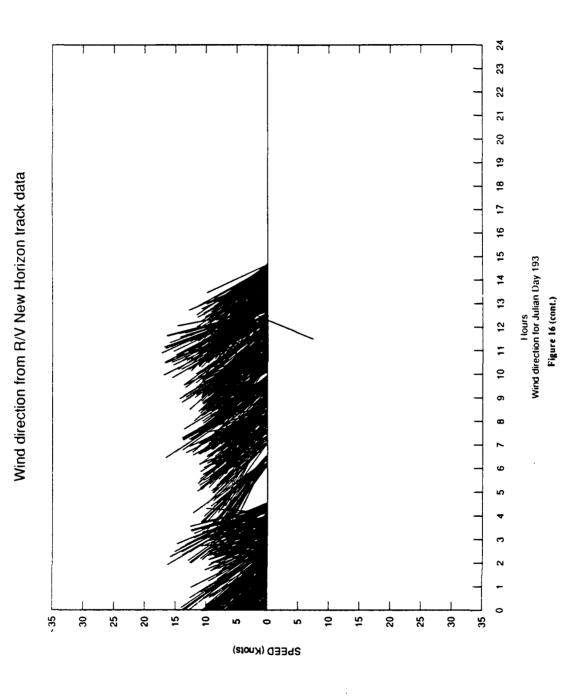


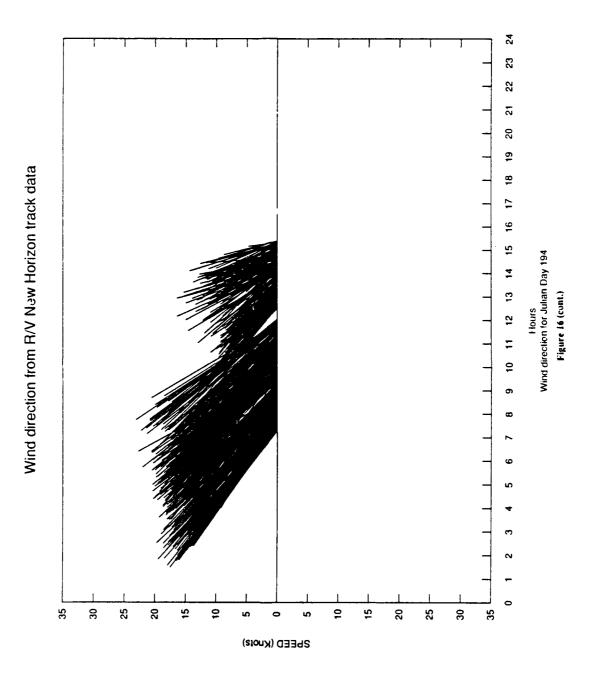
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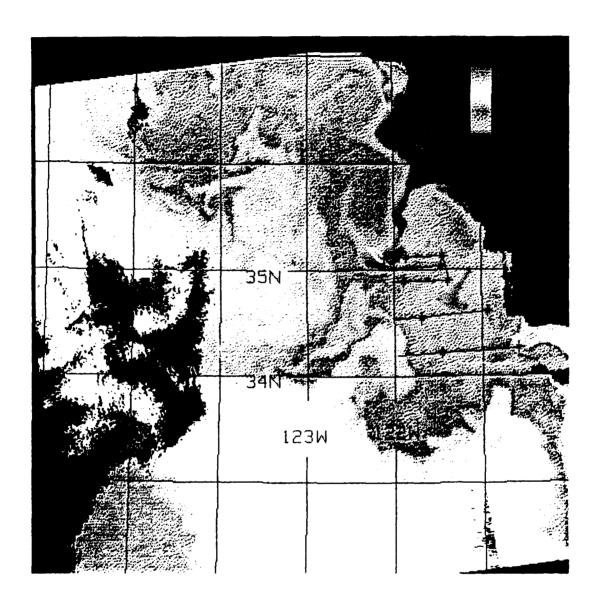




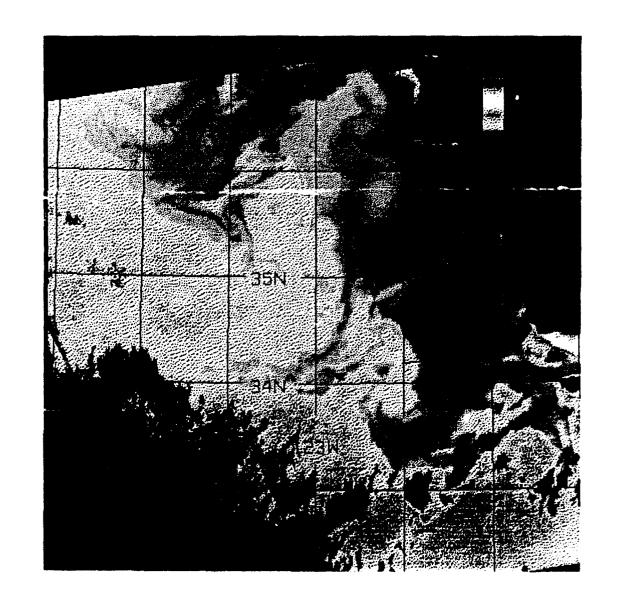




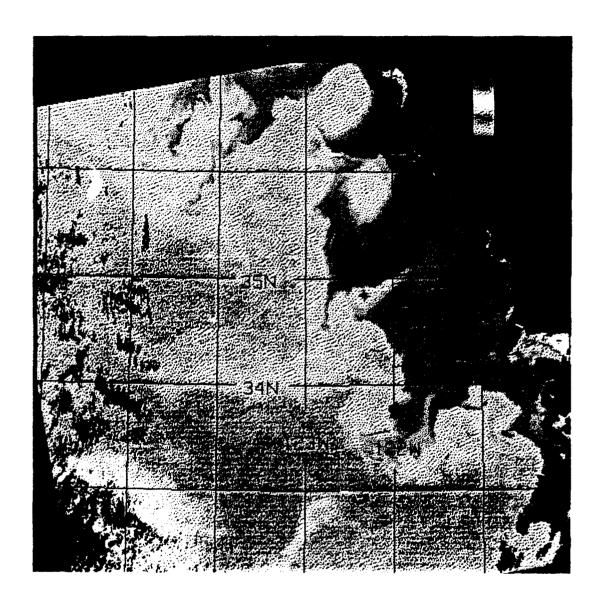




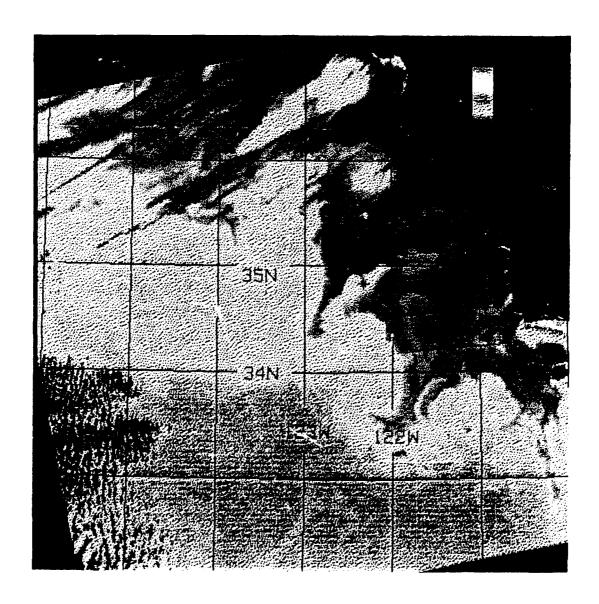
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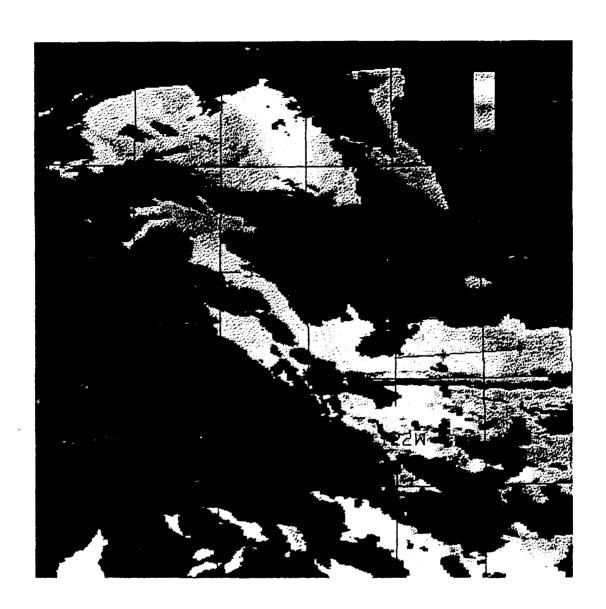
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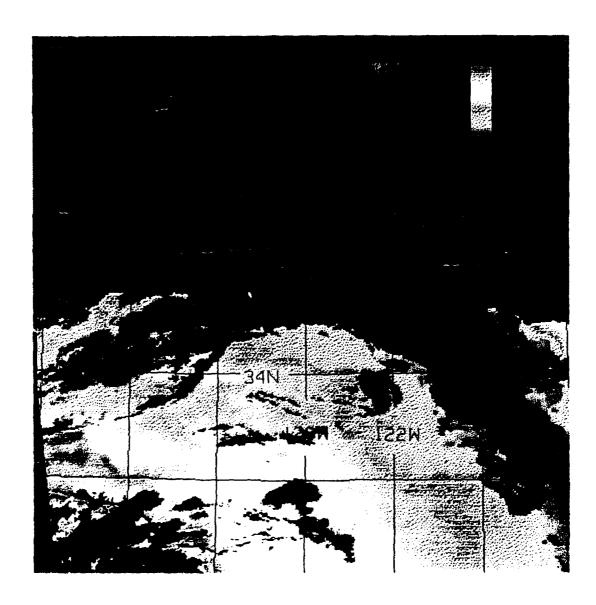
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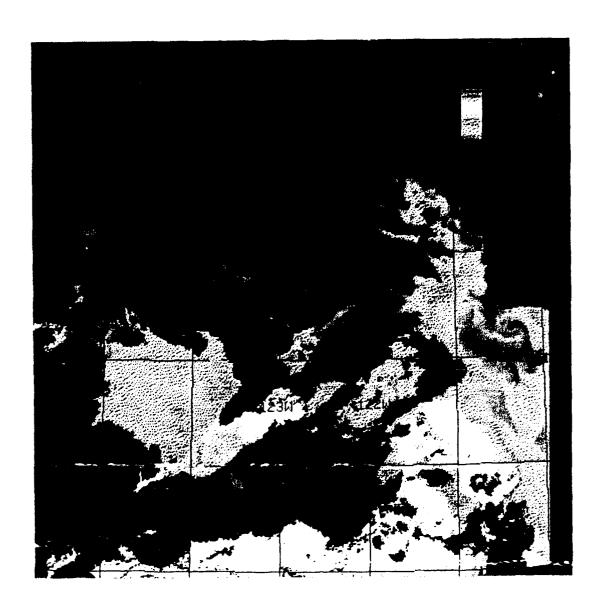
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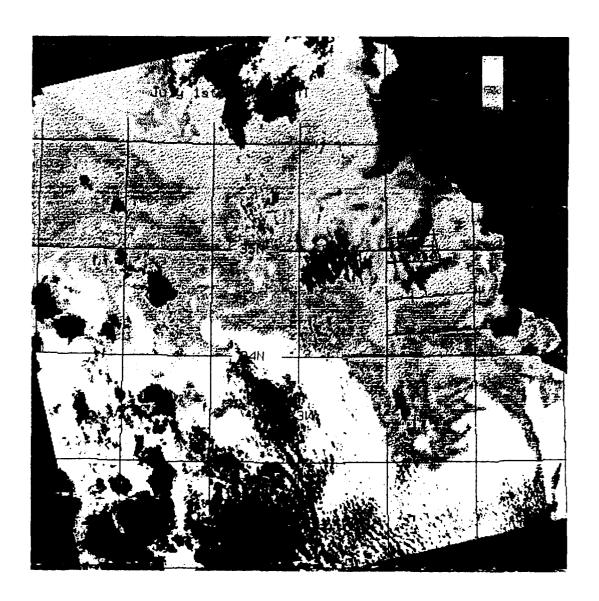
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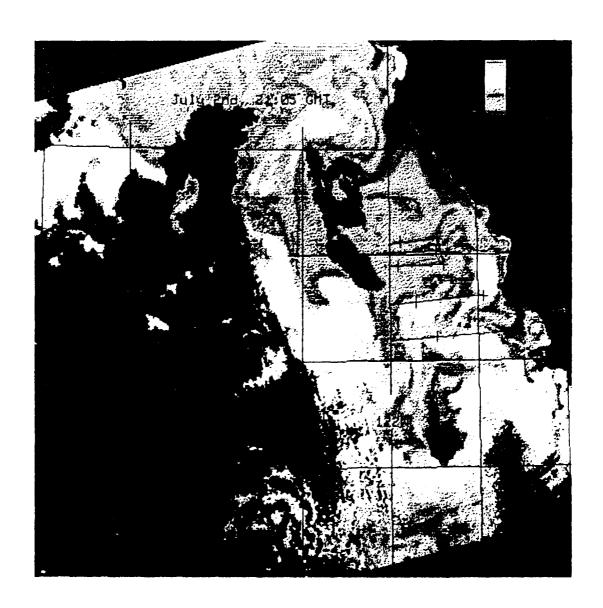
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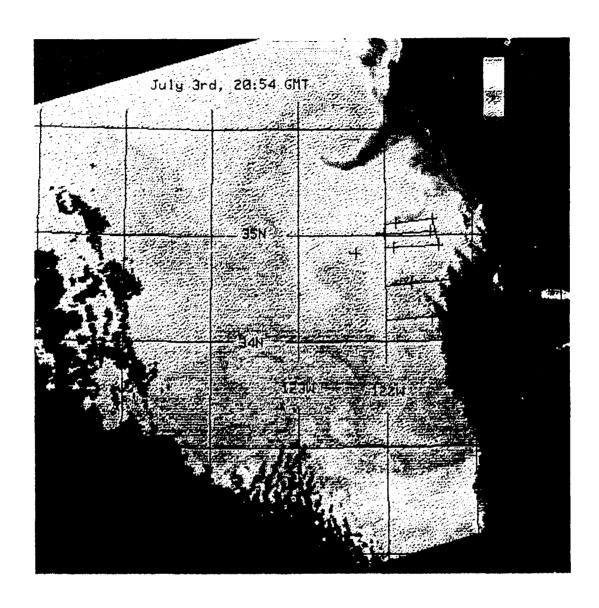
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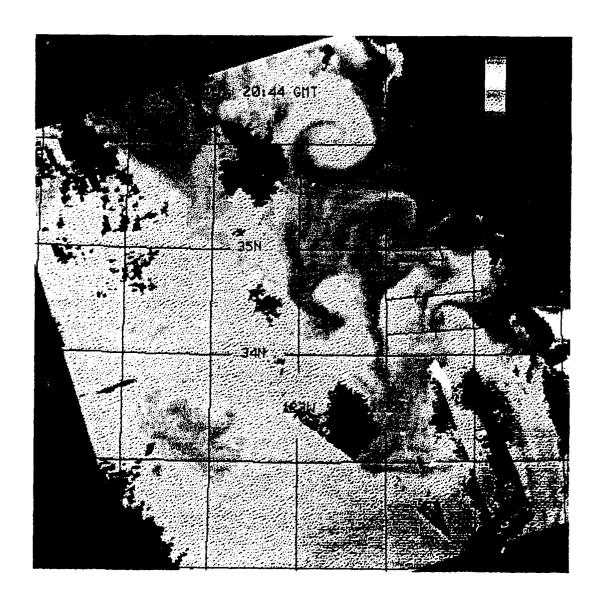
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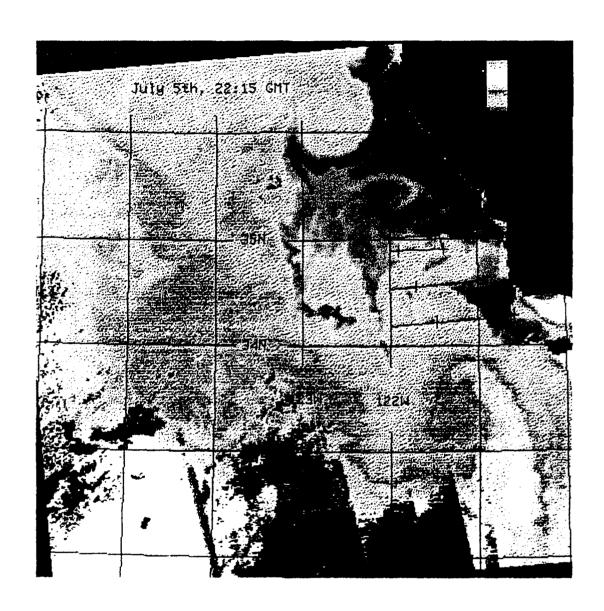
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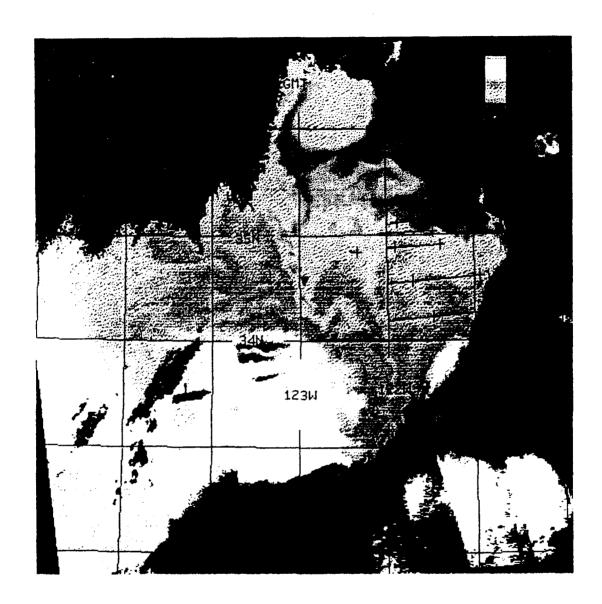
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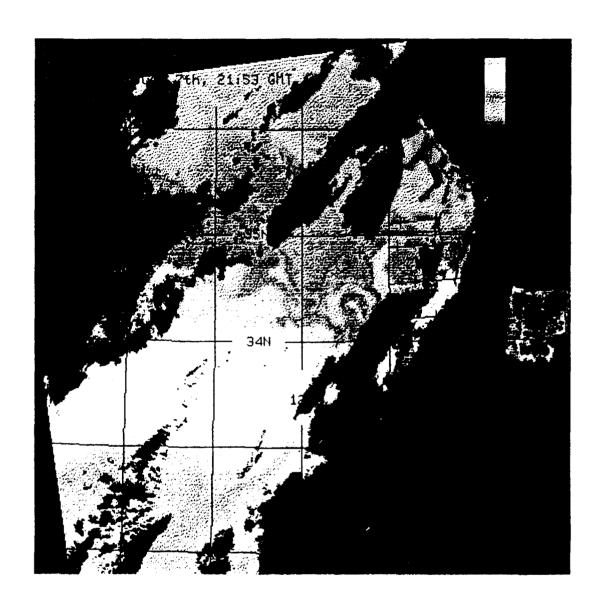
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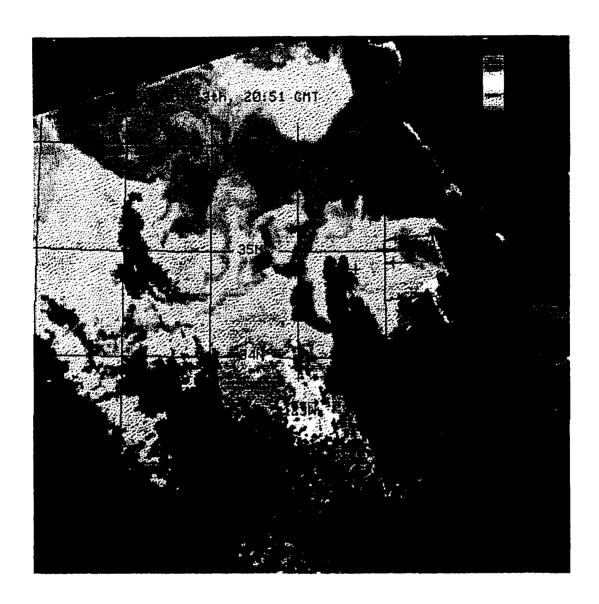
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